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There are some occasions when one is profoundly glad to be overlooked. Such was the case for me recently.

It was a beautiful mid-July day. Edmonton's Klondike Days celebration was in full swing and, fearful of traffic tie-ups occasioned by the festivities, I was skirting the downtown core as I drove from campus to City Hall.

I was very much absorbed in conversation with my passenger when I spotted the speed trap. As my eyes went to my already-dipping speedometer — yes, I could have been speeding, it told me — in the periphery of my vision, I could see the bright fluorescent vest of the constable stepping out onto the pavement ahead of me.

He held up his hand, and I slowed down, silently deploring my fate as I prepared to stop. Before I could do so, however, the police officer waved me on. It was the driver of the car behind me who was to be fate's victim on this occasion.

Seldom have I felt more relieved. My passenger, you see, was Roderick Fraser, the man who will be the next president of the University of Alberta.

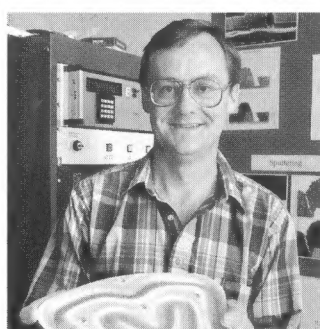
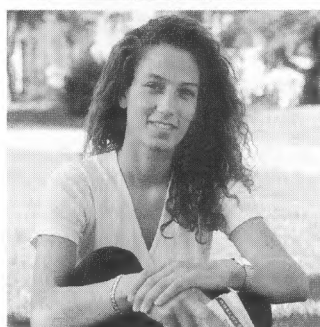
Dr Fraser, who had been selected for the University's presidency in late June, was in Edmonton for a brief visit and was operating on a tight schedule — so tight that I was finishing up my interview with him as I drove him to a luncheon meeting with Mayor Jan Reimer.

Had we been detained, he would have kept the mayor waiting. Not a good start for him — or, of course, for me with him.

As it turned out, I got the president-elect to his meeting on time, and since then I have spoken with him on a few occasions as I prepared the article you will find in this issue of *New Trail*.

It was interesting for me to talk with Dr Fraser as he delved back into his memories of his formative years in Alberta and expressed his thoughts about the future at this University. As you will see in our story, he has committed himself to beginning his presidency by listening, and my impression is that he will be a good listener — and when he acts it will be firmly, with conviction.

Rick Pilger
Editor



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Roderick Fraser plans to spend much of his time listening when he takes over the presidency of the University at the beginning of next year. A second-generation University of Alberta graduate, Fraser has spent 30 years at Queen's University in Ontario.

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Prepared to Listen

Roderick Fraser plans to do a great deal of listening as he enters office as president of his alma mater.



Roderick Fraser is clear about his first priority now that he's about to become the president of the University of Alberta. "I plan to do a lot of listening," says Fraser, who takes office as the University's eleventh president on 1 January 1995, the third Alberta graduate to hold that appointment.

Fraser, a professor of economics, has been a faculty member at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario since 1965. Since 1988 he has served as that university's vice-principal (resources). His selection to the U of A's top administrative post was announced on 28 June 1994 by **John Ferguson**, '64 BA, the chair of the University's Board of Governors.

"After a national and international search, we have found the right person to become our president," said the Board chair. Referring to the president-elect as "an outstanding visionary leader," Ferguson went on to state his conviction that "Dr Fraser brings the right mix of academic leadership, understanding of external relations, and depth of administrative experience to lead the University of Alberta into the 21st century."

Also expressing confidence in Fraser was **Lou Hyndman**, '56 BA, '59 LLB, who anticipated the priority the new president would set himself. "He will be a listener," remarked the University's chancellor. "He will bring about thoughtful change and will lead the U of A further along the path of excellence."

A native Albertan, Fraser is the first second-generation U of A graduate to become president of this university. His father, **Roy Fraser**, '42 BA, '48 BEd, holds two degrees from the University, and his wife, **Judith Fraser (Lewis)**, '63 BA, and several other close relatives are also U of

A alumni. [See 'All in the Family' on page 5.]

In the weeks since his selection, the president-elect has been making regular visits to Edmonton to reacquaint himself with his alma mater, to meet some of the people with whom he soon will be working, and to do as much listening as possible. During a visit in mid-July, he took time to speak with *New Trail* about his life and career, to share his thoughts about the challenges facing higher education as the 21st century approaches — and to explain why anyone would want to be a university president at this time.

"I have a very strong sense that universities, especially those that are research-intensive universities, have an absolutely vital role to play in providing the economic foundations for the high-technology industries that will provide the employment for young Canadians, young Albertans, in the next century," said the president-elect, as explanation for his willingness to accept the challenge that brings him back to the province of his birth.

Roderick Douglas Fraser was born in Vegreville, Alberta on 23 July 1940, but the location of his birth was almost accidental. He spent his earliest years in Edmonton; later lived four years in Provost, Alberta, where his father was the high school principal; and completed most of his schooling in Calgary, where his family moved in 1950, his father accepting a position with the public school board in that city.

There is, however, another locale that figures prominently in Fraser's childhood memories. A 20-minute drive to the east of Vegreville, near the village of Ranfurly, Alberta, is located the farm which belonged to Fraser's maternal grandpar-

ents — MacNaughton was their name. Here he spent his childhood summers, enjoying the rural routines and adventures such as a walk to town along the railroad tracks, or a swim in the slough which lay behind the old farmstead.

"There seemed to evolve a family practice of my mother going back to her family farm in the summertime," recalls Fraser, whose father spent this time either at summer school or earning extra money marking departmental examinations.

In the summer of 1940, Fraser's father was in Edmonton enrolled in a summer school course at the U of A. His mother and sister were at the MacNaughton farm, and when his own arrival was imminent his mother was taken to the hospital in Vegreville, where his birth took place.

Eighteen years later Fraser himself entered university. He enrolled in an arts program at the University of Alberta at Calgary with the intention of pursuing a career in law. (He had also seriously considered becoming an engineer.) At the end of his second year, however, something happened that Fraser now sees as having been pivotal in his life.

"I was just lucky enough to be asked to be the UAC [University of Alberta at Calgary] representative to the World University Services of Canada Summer Seminar Program," says Fraser. The program had been established after the Second World War and the annual seminars had at first been held in a variety of European countries to help universities re-establish in that part of the world.

"By the time 1960 came along, the country of choice was Israel," recalls Fraser, who found the entire experience to be stimulating. "It was a superb program," he remembers.

Not only did the seminar experience expand his interests and outlook, it indirectly changed his career course. "There was a kind of obligation to return to the campus that had sent you," says Fraser, who might otherwise have left Calgary for law school or other studies elsewhere.

In his second year at UAC, Fraser had particularly enjoyed a second-year economics course in price theory taught by Dr Frank Anton. When he remained in Calgary to complete his third year, the

seed of interest planted by that course grew, and following his graduation in 1961 he headed north to the U of A main campus to do a master's in economics.

Although he graduated in 1963 with marks that earned him admission to the London School of Economics and a Canada Council fellowship to support his studies there, Fraser didn't give his entire attention to academic pursuits during the two years he spent working on his master's degree. Shortly after he arrived on the Edmonton campus he met Judith Lewis, a second-year history student from Grande Prairie, Alberta. They were wed in the summer following their graduation and are the parents of two children,



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Rod Fraser is busy reacquainting himself with his alma mater.

Margo, a supply teacher in Whistler, B.C., and Rob, a student at Laval University.

Fraser was encouraged to apply for admission to the London School of Economics by one of his U of A professors, Dr David Winch, himself an LSE graduate. It's a decision about which the president-elect has no regrets. Fraser found the two years he spent in London to be a "superb experience." He embraced the cultural life of the "enormously vibrant" city, and at the School of Economics was stimulated by the clash of differing schools of thought. "The left-of-centre

groups were still well represented at the School at that time. At the same time there were clearly people who represented a very conservative, 'treasury board' point of view," Fraser recalls.

Having done the two-year MA program at Alberta, Fraser went directly into LSE's PhD program, which had a thesis as its focus. For his treatise, Fraser chose to look at health-care systems in 15 well-developed countries to learn whether the existence of a national health service was important in improving the health status of the individual. (No clear trend emerged, but there was some evidence to show that well-funded public health services emphasizing preventative health measures related positively to the health status of individual citizens.)

Fraser's interest in health care economics was awakened during his MA days at Alberta. At the same time that he was entering graduate school, the Province of Saskatchewan was introducing its controversial medicare program. The move generated fierce levels of debate and Saskatchewan doctors went on strike in protest. "The papers were filled with the pros and cons of a government medical-care program," recalls Fraser. "It seemed to me," he continues, "that there was a framework of analysis that economics provided that might be helpful in sorting through what kind of health insurance program might be good — how you best set up incentives and disincentives and so on."

That theme and variations upon it have been central to Fraser's academic career. Despite his extensive involvement in university administration in recent years, he has contributed his expertise to a variety of committees, task forces and commissions related to questions of public policy in health care. In 1984 and 1985 he was director of research for the national Commission of Inquiry on the Pharmaceutical Industry. Two years later, he agreed to chair the economics and epidemiology subcommittee for the Royal Society of

All in the Family

President-elect Roderick Fraser and his wife Judith are both U of A graduates with strong family ties to the University of Alberta.

Dr Fraser, who earned a BA degree from the University of Alberta at Calgary in 1961 and then came to the Edmonton campus to obtain a master's degree in economics, is a second-generation U of A graduate. His father, **Roy**



Roy Fraser, 1942 Yearbook photo

Fraser, '42 BA, '48 BEd, also holds two degrees from the University, both earned largely through summer-school studies.

The president-elect's mother, a retired school teacher, also has ties to the University. She is a graduate (1928-29) of the Edmonton

Normal School, which was located on the edge of campus in the building now serving the University under the name Corbett Hall. And her brother, **W. Norman MacNaughton, '41 BSc(Ag), '48 MSc**, who is now retired and living in Saskatoon, is a U of A alumnus.

The president-elect's parents, who spent some years in Victoria following their retirement, have recently returned to Calgary. There they are close to their eldest daughter **Anne Hamman (Fraser), '75 BEd, '84 MEd**, also a school teacher.

The president-elect's two other sisters — he has no brothers — are also U of A grads. His sister **Judith Marshall (Fraser), '66 Dip(Nu), '67 BSc(Nu)**, lives in Portland, Oregon, where she is a pediatric nurse-practitioner. Another sister, **Claire Vukadinovic (Fraser), '65 BA, '67 MA, '86 PhD**, is an associate professor of French at Concordia College, Edmonton.

Not long after he arrived on the Edmonton campus, Roderick Fraser met Judith Lewis of Grande Prairie, Alberta, and they were married after their graduation in 1963.

Judith, who received her BA at Alberta, later earned a master's degree in library science at Rutgers University in New Jersey, and is a professional librarian at Queen's, most recently serving in the Education Library. When she came to the University of



Judith Lewis, 1963 Yearbook photo

Alberta, she was following in the footsteps of her uncle, the late **Norman Lewis, '25 BSc, '38 MSc**, and her brother **Robert Lewis, '62 BCom, '69 LLB**, who practises law in Grande Prairie. Another U of A graduate in Judith's family is her brother **Bill Lewis, '72 BCom**, who lives in Kelowna and is a partner in a real estate firm in nearby Vernon, B.C.

Canada Study on AIDS. He later served four years as a member of the National Advisory Committee on AIDS.

The U of A president-elect began his career in university administration by serving as acting head of the Department of Economics at Queen's in 1977-78. In 1979, having returned to Queen's following a year's research leave at Princeton University, he began a five-year term as associate dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. In 1983 he took over as dean of that faculty.

As dean of Arts and Sciences, Fraser gave leadership to an extremely diverse faculty encompassing more than two dozen different disciplines. These ranged from the natural and social sciences to the humanities and fine arts; there was even a school of physical and health education situated within the faculty.

When asked what lessons he learned as a dean dealing with such a diverse faculty — an experience that could well serve as a model for the challenge he will face as president of the University of Alberta — Fraser hesitates only briefly to gather his thoughts.

"There are two that flood the mind," he replies and talks first of the need to delegate responsibility and give freedom. "It is so critical," he says, "that individual faculty and staff members have the ability to do a lot of things to improve the quality of the academic environment in which our students do their learning, as well as things to improve the quality of our various administrative processes and to advance our research and scholarship."

"To fully exploit the opportunities available, there has to be a major delegation of responsibility and the freedom for departments to get on with doing the right thing. It's just too easy to stifle things by having everything orchestrated through the process of hierarchical control."

Secondly, says Fraser, listening is of paramount importance. "It is absolutely critical that you are prepared to listen to what are the challenges, prospects and constraints that the different discipline units face."

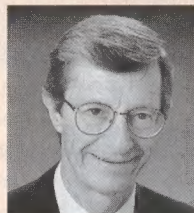
From the dean's office, Fraser moved to Queen's central administration in 1988 as vice-principal (resources). In that position he was the university's chief financial architect, and he is credited by many at Queen's as being the individual most responsible for maintaining that univer-

sity's solid financial health during turbulent economic times.

As vice-principal (resources) Fraser has a diverse portfolio that encompasses not only the actual fiscal management of the university but responsibility for working with the principal and deans to establish basic budget and staffing strategies for the individual faculties. He has also had responsibility for fund-raising strategy and government relations. In recent years he has coordinated successful efforts to



Ferguson



Hyndman

Alumni to the Forefront

With the selection of Roderick Fraser as the next president of the University of Alberta, the leadership of the University is now firmly in the hands of the University's own graduates. Fraser joins Board of Governors Chair John Ferguson, '64 BA, and Chancellor Lou Hyndman, '56 BA, '59 LLB, both U of A alumni, in filling the key leadership positions at their alma mater.

acquire for Queen's the provincial capital funding for a \$42-million library project and a \$50-million biotechnology complex with a fully-integrated technology transfer centre. He also played a key role in mounting a highly-successful fund-raising campaign.

With the coming of the new year, Fraser will close the book on three decades spent at Queen's and return to Alberta to provide leadership at his alma mater. When asked about the priorities he has set for himself when he assumes office, the president-elect identifies only the one. "Before anything else, I really want to go through a period focused almost wholly on listening," he says.

He is, however, willing to share some of his own thoughts about the important issues facing the University.

"I start out with a feeling that we are an institution of learning, so the learning environment for students should receive a significant amount of our attention. A substantive portion of our creative energy should be devoted to improving the learning environment. We must be con-

tinually rededicating ourselves to improving the way we facilitate learning by our students."

Fraser also states his belief that universities must break down the "vertical silos" created by rigid disciplinary boundaries. "So many of the problems that we confront in the world," he says, "whether they are practical or more theoretical in nature, are problems that really are better solved if they have the intellectual vigor that comes from a variety of disciplines."

Very few problems can be mapped absolutely within one discipline."

A third "absolutely critical challenge" Fraser identifies is the building of "much better, closer, more productive partnerships." Says the president-elect: "We are not a body unto ourself. We are part of a province, we're part of a city community, and part of a system of post-secondary education. I am finding that there are already lots of partnerships between people at this university [U of A] and people at other universities. And there are, as well, partnerships with the private sector in Alberta, and with the business community in Edmonton. I am listening closely for the potential we have for further building of partnerships. My sense is that in the future we will want to have many more of these."

Based on his experience at Queen's, Fraser well knows the struggles facing institutes of learning in the economy of the mid-1990s, and he has no delusions that the economic difficulties will soon disappear. "My sense is that while times may seem tough now, they could well get tougher," he says, adding that "it just behooves all of us in universities to cut the cloth to meet the size of the purse."

At the same time, he is optimistic that the challenges can be met. "You have a lot of talent in universities — the academic and non-academic staff. Alberta has tremendous amounts of talent. In order to exploit that, you have to give people responsibility and the freedom to carry it out and to focus relentlessly on the quality of all the activities we pursue in teaching and research."

The president-elect also makes it known that he will be looking for help from his fellow U of A graduates. "It is absolutely clear to me," he says, "that in order for the University to meet the kind of aspirations that I and others with whom I have been talking have for it, the alumni must be a critical part of the U of A team."

Billion-Dollar Commitment Made

The University of Alberta has made a billion-dollar promise.

At a lively news conference in June, University leaders met with Edmonton's mayor **Jan Reimer, '73 BA**, Alberta cabinet minister Jack Ady and others to officially confirm the U of A's promise — that private-sector research funding obtained since the beginning of the 1990s will add up to \$1 billion at the decade's close.

"Given the efforts of our researchers to date in performing research that attracts funding, our goal of a total of \$1 billion in research funding by the year 2000 is entirely achievable," said **John Ferguson, '64 BA**, chair of the University's board of governors, who officially made the pledge on behalf of the University.

The commitment is a response to the increasing need for research funding in times when government purse strings are tight — a response applauded by Ady, minister of advanced education and career development. "Your efforts to seek other funders is commendable," he said at the June conference. "What we are seeing here today is a model for the future."

To meet its billion-dollar goal, the University will increase its efforts to attract private sector funding. The U of A at present holds 105

patents and 32 commercial licenses. Another 160 patents are held by 27 active spinoff companies, which have created 750 direct jobs and more than 1,400 indirect jobs.

"Private companies are increasing their investment as they recognize the advantages of leading-edge research in a knowledge-driven economy," pointed out Ferguson.

University researchers have already attracted more than \$400 million since 1989-90, and support has increased at an average rate of six per cent each year. If growth continues at that rate, the U of A will easily attract the extra \$600 million in research it needs to reach \$1 billion by the year 2000-01.

In 1993-94 alone, the U of A attracted \$87.2 million in research funding, and research at the U of A directly employed almost 1,800 people either on a part- or full-time basis. And these people, it was noted, spent most of their \$50 million in salaries and benefits in the community.

In making the University's pledge, Ferguson stressed the significant impact research support has had on the community. "For every dollar we attract in research funding, the community gains a direct economic benefit," he said. It is estimated that every one percent increase in sponsored research funding creates another 50 new direct and

indirect jobs.

Ferguson sealed the commitment by presenting copies of a ceremonial promissory note to Ady and Mayor Reimer, and an additional copy was sent to the Honorable Anne McClellan, federal minister of energy, who could not attend.

In discussing the research-funding commitment, Ferguson stressed that there was no competition between teaching and research. "This is not a case of putting research above teaching," assured Ferguson. "Rather, research enhances teaching. It gives our professors and our students access to ground-breaking knowledge."

U of A Prof Named SSHRC President

"I'd never thought about being president of SSHRC, let alone ever being considered for the job," says **Lynn Penrod, '80 LLB, '86 LLM**.

Penrod, who had been serving as the University's associate vice-president (academic), will take up the post as the head of the country's largest funding agency for the humanities and social sciences as of 1 September.

The appointment, made on 15 June by federal industry minister John Manley, will take Penrod to Ottawa for five years, during which she'll be on leave from her faculty appointment at the U of A. It will be a break from French studies in the Department of Romance Languages, where she has taught since 1977, but the prospect of heading up the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada is "tremendously exciting," says Penrod, who's looking forward to the challenges of the coming years.

When she received a call from Jon Gerrard, Secretary of State (Science, Research and Development) in early May, Penrod wasn't even asked if she wanted the job. "He just asked some questions relating to general issues of research in the humanities and social sciences," she says. "Obviously, I was being interviewed."



Penrod faces new challenges as the new head of the SSHRC

When she was finally offered the position, she reacted with "stunned silence," she says.

Over the next five years, Penrod's focus will be the promotion and strengthening of social sciences and humanities research in Canada and the setting of the Council's strategic priorities. Her major challenge will be minimizing the impact of severe administrative cutbacks in order to continue to provide an adequate level of service to the research community.

Penrod earned degrees at Ohio State and Yale Universities in addition to her U of A law degrees, which facilitate her cross-appointment with the University's Law Faculty.

Though she looks forward to her work at the SSHRC, Penrod says she will also be happy to return to Edmonton. "The University has given me a great deal and allowed me to use whatever talent I have for academic administration — I am very grateful for this."

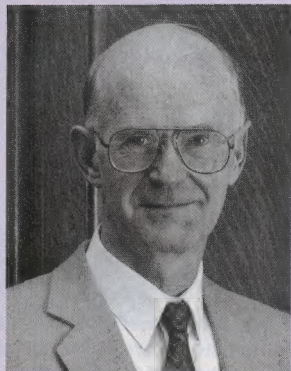
Gift Expresses Professor's Thanks

"The University of Alberta has provided the leadership and the opportunity for me and others to contribute, over the years, significant efforts in the fight against cancer," says Antoine Noujaim, a U of A professor emeritus of pharmacy and pharmaceutical science.

Recently, Noujaim expressed his gratitude for that opportunity with more than words alone when he donated \$1 million to the University. Thanks to him, the U of A will



Mayor Jan Reimer, and Alberta cabinet minister Jack Ady were on hand to hear John Ferguson (right) make a billion-dollar pledge



Dr John McDonald, who has been the University's vice-president (academic) since 1991, has been appointed acting president of the University until Dr Roderick Fraser assumes office in January 1995. McDonald, a physics professor, is a former dean of Science.

have a new institute for pharmaceutical research — primarily oncology (cancer) research, Noujaim's specialty.

The University will use \$250,000 of the gift as an endowment to ensure the new institute can operate indefinitely. The rest will be used to match other grants raised for research staff salaries in the oncology institute.

"We, as individuals, have an obligation to help during these difficult financial times," says Noujaim, who began research at the University in 1966, studying the antibodies that bind to tumor cells. "The proposed institute of pharmaceutical oncology will go a long way in providing the private sector with the opportunity to also contribute in the battle against cancer."

Noujaim is a co-founder of the Edmonton-based biotechnology firm Biomira. He has recently been working on a cancer vaccine that is in clinical trials. When administered to patients in remission, the vaccine helps their immune systems identify and kill reactivated cancer cells.

Noujaim's gift was made through the University of Alberta 1991 Foundation, part of a growing trend toward increased private gifts to the University.

Honorary Degrees Conferred

Two University of Alberta graduates and Canada's governor-general were among five distinguished Canadians awarded honorary degrees by the University recently.

During Spring Convocation 1994, Doctor of Laws degrees were awarded to four of the honorary degree recipients, including graduates Frank Elliott and David McLean. The fifth honorary degree was a Doctor of Letters awarded to Dashy Goody, the artistic director and master vocal instructor for the Edmonton Musical Theatre, which she founded in 1977.

Frank Elliott, '32 BA, '36 MA, is a specialist in internal medicine who has practised in Edmonton for the past 48 years. He received the Mosher Memorial Medal for the highest marks in his graduating year and later studied at the Mayo Clinic. A medical officer in the Royal Canadian Navy during the Second World War, he began his medical practice in Edmonton in 1946 and established a part-time teaching affiliation with the Faculty of Medicine that lasted more than 30 years.

David McLean, '59 BA, '62 LLB, is chair and CEO of the McLean Group of Companies, based in Vancouver, and has served as chair of the board of governors at the University of British Columbia and for Westech Information Systems Inc. A former chair of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, he currently chairs the Centre for North American Business Studies at Simon Fraser University and is a fellow of the Foundation for Legal Research in Canada.

Also receiving honorary Doctor of Laws degrees at Spring Convocation were Canada's Governor-General Ray Hnatyshyn, the 24th Canadian governor-general since Confederation; and Paul Davenport, the tenth president of the University of Alberta, who recently assumed the presidency of the University of Western Ontario.

Around and About

■ A proposal to change the undergraduate program in the Faculty of Education to a so-called "2+2" program was turned down by the General Faculties Council in May. The 2+2 BEd degree, recommended in the University's *Quality First* document, would have allowed students entry into a two-year program in the Faculty of Education after two years of study in an Arts or Science program. GFC did approve two Education proposals: initiating in 1996-97 a one-year, concentrated post-baccalaureate program; and refining graduate program offerings to allow concentration upon the best of these.

■ The University of Alberta Press was named Alberta Publisher of the Year at the 1994 Alberta Book Awards Gala. The U of A Press, which celebrates its 25th anniversary this year, was recognized for innovation in publishing, service to its clients, and activity in the community that exemplifies the spirit of the province and the book publishing industry. A book the U of A co-published (with the U of Calgary Press), *Amphibians and Reptiles of Alberta* by Anthony Russell and Aaron Bauer, was named the Alberta Scholarly Book of the Year.

■ Gordon Swaters, a member of the Applied Mathematics Institute in the Department of Mathematics at the U of A, recently received a major meteorological prize for his work on improving the accuracy of weather forecasts. The Canadian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society awarded Swaters its 1994 President's Prize for a new model that he has proposed for studying instability in upper level winds in the atmosphere.

■ Two U of A students have received \$1,000 1994 Edmonton Consular Ball Scholarships for their research. Political Science MA student Raquel Whicker won for her work on Japan's role as a peacekeeper in Southeast Asia, and second-year Law student Natasha Affolder won for her study of the peaceful resolution of international environmental disputes.

■ A scholarship has been established in the name of one of the University's greatest champions, Sandy Mactaggart. Mactaggart's contributions to the U of A include 10 years on the Board of Governors, four years as Chancellor and

Chair of the Senate, and most recently, six months as Interim Chair of the Board. Each year the scholarship will enable one U of A student to study for up to one term at a university in the Orient, reflecting Mactaggart's interest in East Asian culture.

■ David Schindler, a University zoology professor, is the first recipient of the Royal Society of Canada's Miroslaw Romanowski Medal for outstanding contributions in the environmental sciences. The ecologist is known for his work studying the effects of phosphorous and acid rain on lakes.

■ Four students were honored with the Darcy Tailfeathers Memorial Award in Medicine in June. The 1994 winners are graduating student Dana Winterburn and third-year student Gerry Garrett. Also honored at the same ceremony were the 1993 winners Danika Edmunds and Lindsay Crowshoe. All winners were presented with traditional Native blankets by the parents of the late Darcy Tailfeathers, who would have been the first Native Canadian graduate from the U of A Faculty of Medicine if not for his death in an automobile accident.

■ Ernie Ingles, chief librarian at the U of A, was recently named 1994 Outstanding Academic Librarian by the Canadian Association of College and University Libraries. In addition, the CACUL awarded the U of A a 1994 Innovation Achievement Award for the development of the Book and Record Depository. BARD, which has one of the most advanced electronic delivery and retrieval systems in the world, also earned an honorable mention in the recent Canadian Association of University Business Officers awards competition.

■ A prominent gold and diamond exploration company recently donated valuable new geological equipment to the U of A. Golden Star Resources, a company which is active in South America and Africa and regularly employs U of A graduates, gave the Department of Geology a Franz isodynamic mineral separator. The instrument is used for separating minerals based on differences in their magnetic fields and is worth about \$21,000.



CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENT

Each year the University and the Alumni Association recognize the accomplishments of members of the University community — students, staff and alumni — with a variety of awards and honors. New Trail is pleased to salute the winners of some of the major University and Alumni Association prizes as a way of celebrating the achievements of not only these individuals but a great many others who, through their commitment and attainments, have brought honor to our alma mater.

Stories by Daneda Russ, Deborah Waldman, Charlene Rooke and Rick Pilger

Taking Advantage of Opportunities

Imagine arriving in Jerusalem, a city abuzz with political fervor. A first-time visitor on a fact-finding mission, all you have is the name of the hotel where your only contact will be for one night...

This might sound like the opening for a fictional thriller, but it was just another real-life adventure for 1994 U of A Rhodes scholar Jasmine El-Nahhas.

El-Nahhas, who completed her degree in honors political science this past spring, has spent her time at the University without a moment to spare. And now she is off to Oxford, one of two students from the U of A awarded Rhodes Scholarships.

El-Nahhas's Mideast adventure took place in the summer of 1993 when she trekked to the Middle East to study the Palestinian-Israeli peace talks with the support of an Edmonton Consular Ball Scholarship. It wasn't the usual guided tour. El-Nahhas, speaking only a little Arabic, arrived in Jerusalem alone. First she had to find a place to live, then find her way to delegates, diplomats, and citizens to interview. On day trips, she visited the West Bank and the Gaza Strip and journeyed to Jordan, gaining insight into both the conflict and the Middle East.

"I learned a lot not only about the conflict itself but also about human conflict, about human nature," she says. She returned to Edmonton with 360 pages of interviews and impressions — and a better appreciation of her Canadian home. "It's easy to talk about how we should be rational, loving, and tolerant when we don't have war — when we're an affluent

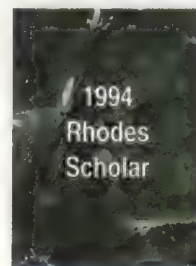
society that's in a time of peace," she says. She feels lucky to be in a place where people ask your name and occupation before your nationality, religion, or political affiliation.

The months spent in Jerusalem also gave her some first-hand knowledge for her honors thesis on the Oslo Accords, says the 1994 Rhodes scholar, who makes a point of sharing her scholarship experiences. Through a program of the U of A's

International Centre, El-Nahhas has spoken to Edmonton junior high school students about the problem of street children in Brazil, a country she visited on a scholarship in 1992. She went there to study an integrat-

ed police station system where professional women officers, lawyers, doctors, and counselors work in a single location to provide a range of services for women victims of abuse or assault. On her return she shared what she had seen with government officials and Edmonton's chief of police, as well as students of all ages.

Knowing how it feels to be alone on foreign ground, El-Nahhas tries to make visiting students feel comfortable in Edmonton. She remembers shopping for winter boots with students from the Mideast and Africa as a member of the World University of Canada student refugee support committee. She is a former president of this group, which works with the University to bring one refugee student to the U of A every year.





Jasmine El-Nahhas

In discussing her Rhodes Scholarship, El-Nahhas acknowledges the role that the U of A has played in preparing her. "Some of the professors I've had here have really changed the way I look at life," she says. "They introduced incredible ideas to me."

At Oxford, El-Nahhas plans to complete a two-year law program then spend another year obtaining her master's degree in international law. This will combine her interest in international relations and political philosophy. But studying is not El-Nahhas's only priority. "The important thing is to get out there and meet people, enjoy sports, go to the theatre," she says. She plans to take the advice once given to her: "You have to do well in school, of course, but never focus on it alone, thinking that that's what will make you successful or that's what you will profit most from."

For Jasmine El-Nahhas, success means taking advantage of opportunities and always trying to reach her potential. Of the future — "I'd like to be out there on the international scene working with all kinds of people," she says. D.R.

Connecting With Individual Students

It's a common sight on campus — students clustered around a bulletin board, anxiously scanning posted lists to see how they rank in the latest exam or term marks.

However, in the Department of Economics at the U of A, it's not only students who have the results of their performance

posted. When he was chair of the Department of Economics from 1972 to 1977, **Bruce Wilkinson, '61 MA**, instituted the ongoing practice of posting the results of the teaching evaluations conducted by the department each year, for both instructors and students to see. "I thought it was the best way to improve teaching," says Wilkinson, one of this year's recipients of a Rutherford Award for excellence in undergraduate teaching at the University. "Letting people see how they compare to the department average often gives them an incentive to improve."

Wilkinson's own evaluation scores have been well above average over the years, even in the daunting mass lectures he teaches to introductory economics students. Those classes regularly pack the "Tory Turtle" lecture hall, which seats 495. Classes this big require teaching on a grand scale: two overhead projectors, microphones, and myriad charts and diagrams to enhance the presentation. But Wilkinson says that's incidental — the key to good teaching is connecting with individual students. "Even though they're large classes I encourage students to come see me in my office if they're beginning to have problems."

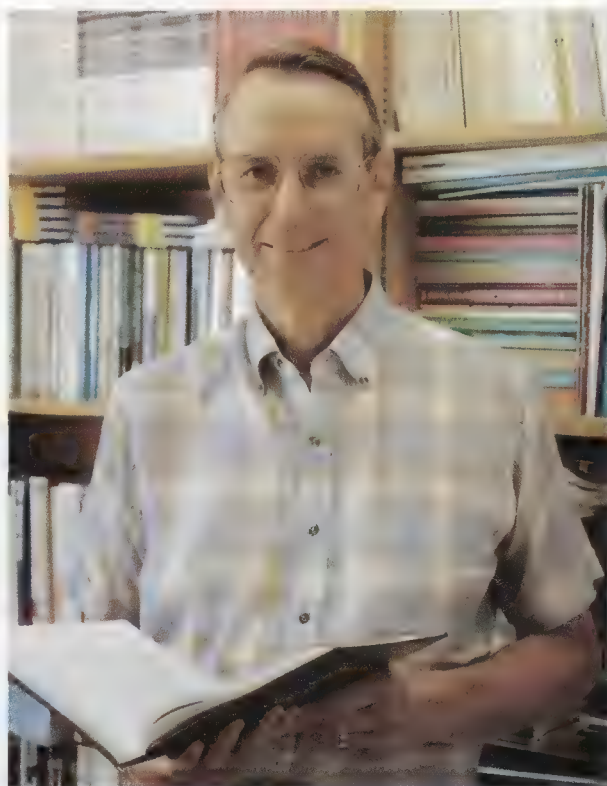
Despite a busy schedule that includes reviewing for various academic journals, participating on university and department committees, and consulting for economic research organizations, Wilkinson makes the time to see as many students as possible. He also finds time for his colleagues, who benefit from his involvement as a peer evaluator for University Teaching Services.

An international trade expert and a high-profile commentator in the debate over the Canada-U.S. and the subsequent North American free trade agreements, Wilkinson finds it useful to "relate economics to the real world" in his courses. For instance, "last year I talked about government deficits and budgets a good

deal," he says with a chuckle.

Government cuts to education funding are of particular interest to Wilkinson. He examined the economics of education for his PhD from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and in an upcoming monograph he advocates educational choice for children and their parents. (Wilkinson himself is the parent of three U of A graduates — a son who is now a veterinarian and two daughters, a nurse and a teacher.)

Before coming to Edmonton for graduate school, Wilkinson had completed his BCom at the University of Saskatchewan and worked for several years in the oil industry. The Rutherford Award-winner says that when they arrived in



Bruce Wilkinson

Edmonton, he and his wife knew they wanted to make their permanent home in the city. Wilkinson completed his master's in 1961, and after a six-year interlude, during which he pursued doctoral studies at MIT and had teaching stints at the Universities of Saskatchewan and Western Ontario, the couple were able to return to Edmonton when Wilkinson received a U of A faculty appointment in 1967.

He and his wife have been happy to remain in Edmonton ever since, says

Wilkinson, who from his seventh-floor office in the Tory Building has had a panoramic view the "phenomenal story of growth" that has unfolded in the city and on campus since the late 1960s.

Although this 1994 Rutherford Award recipient also received a Faculty of Arts Teaching Award recently, he says he hasn't been using any new pyrotechnics to garner this favorable attention to his teaching. And, indeed, when he received the Rutherford Award, Wilkinson was commended in particular for the continuity and consistent level of excellence he has maintained in more than 25 years of teaching on campus.

"I'm not some new flash in the pan," he says with a smile. C.R.

Service to His Entire Country

Patrick J. Doyle, '47 BSc, '49 MD, spent nearly 10 years practising general medicine before he decided to become an otolaryngologist — an ear, nose, and throat specialist.

The decision came fairly easily; he was interested in surgery, which is a component of the specialty, and he was also interested in the clinical and diagnostic aspects, dealing with problems such as dizziness and nasal and sinus diseases.

Equally important, there weren't enough otolaryngologists in Vancouver, where Doyle had settled after graduating from the U of A medical school. He figured he'd be providing a service to the community.

Ultimately, however, the winner of a 1994 Distinguished Alumni Award provided a service to his entire country. It was Doyle who, in the early 1980s, persuaded then British Columbia minister of health Jim Nielsen to get the government to fund cochlear implant surgery, an operation that enables profoundly deaf people to hear.

In 1982, Doyle performed the first such operation in Canada, allowing a young woman who had lost her hearing to meningitis to once again hear "environmental sounds" — everything from birds chirping to car engines revving — and to understand speech, even over the telephone.

Since then, the operation has been performed on hundreds of people across the country, including about 60 adults and 12 children in Vancouver.

Two small pieces of equipment, an array of electrodes and a receiver, are implanted in the cochlea. To make the equipment work, a tiny microphone, about the size of a hearing aid, must be worn behind the ear. A wire connects the microphone to a speech processor, which is about the size of a pocket calculator and can be worn around the waist.

The only negative side effect seems to be the opposition from people who haven't had the surgery — members of the deaf community who believe the operation is unnecessary.

"There are many people who are involved in the deaf culture who object to us doing implants, particularly on children, because they feel we're calling something abnormal which, as far as they're concerned, is not," Doyle says. "We think that if somebody has an implant and they don't want to use it, they can always take it off and be back where they were."

Most of the people who have had the surgery don't opt for that, however. Doyle says that the best evidence of the success of the implant is that only about three of the 60 adults who have had the operation in Vancouver "don't wear their implants every waking hour.... The others are very vocal about how much they like it. Many of them are able to communicate quite well on the telephone. Many are holding full-time jobs."

Some have the same jobs they had before the surgery, but others are doing work they never could have otherwise — one actually works as a secretary and answers phones.

Doyle's contributions to otolaryngology have not been limited to the operating room. He has written dozens of scholarly papers, and is a member of numerous professional societies. He also founded the Pacific Otolaryngological Foundation, in 1978. In 1988 he was named president of the American Board of Otolaryngology, their first Canadian president. Recently he was named president of the American Laryngological, Rhinological, and Otological Society, Inc., in which membership is only by invitation.

The organization, also known as the Triological Society, requires members to write a thesis. Doyle's, which was accepted in 1970, was on the treatment of vocal cord paralysis, a topic that was not well understood at the time. He also taught a

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Patrick J. Doyle

yearly course on the subject to his colleagues at 15 annual meetings of the American Academy of Otolaryngology.

Doyle has also taught at the University of Oregon Medical School and has been a visiting professor at a number of universities, including the U of A, the University of Auckland in New Zealand, the University of Toronto, Washington University in St. Louis, and the University of California at San Diego.

Now a professor emeritus at the University of British Columbia, Doyle headed the Division of Otolaryngology there from 1972 to 1991. Eight U of A medical school grads did their training there during the time he was in charge of the Division. While he's not the type to play favorites, the Saskatchewan-born Doyle says "you probably always have a special feeling when they come from the Prairies."

In and around his academic and medical work, Doyle has managed to find time for extracurricular activities. When his six children were younger, he coached hockey and Little League baseball. He's a patron of the Vancouver Oral School and a board member of Organ Donors of Canada.

And 10 years ago, he chaired the medical committee for the Pope's visit to Vancouver. For Doyle, who attended Catholic elementary school and stayed at St. Joseph's College when he came to the U of A, it was a special experience. For three months he met with doctors and ambulance company representatives to arrange for care not only for the Pope, but also to set up first aid facilities for the crowds that were sure to gather at every site he would visit.

The morning the Pope was to leave



Vancouver after the visit, various committee members, including Doyle, went to the airport to meet him in person.

"He's an outstanding person," Doyle says. "He speaks about eight different languages.... He shook hands with us all, walked with us, and thanked us. Meeting this man was an unusual experience. It was a high point."

D.W.

A Love for his Subject Matter

Dale Vitt has no problem describing his ideal day. "It's my perfect day to study and look at mosses," says the U of A botany professor. "Some people study insects and love beetles; others, butterflies. For me it's mosses. All the work I do revolves around the love of this particular group of organisms."

Despite this singular focus, Vitt's work is remarkably wide-ranging, stretching from basic taxonomy to investigations of how ecosystems are patterned and how these patterns relate to chemical and physical factors. His research has taken him around the world to examine first-hand ecosystems in which mosses are important. He's explored subantarctic islands, tramped the tropics of the South Pacific, Australia and the New World, and made discoveries in China, the United States, western Canada and the Arctic.

His reception has not always been friendly: on an island off New Zealand he was treed by an angry sea lion, and in the Canadian Arctic he was butted by a musk-ox. However, Vitt had a more appreciative audience recently when he received one of the two 1994 Kaplan Awards recog-

nizing outstanding research by University of Alberta faculty members and delivered a lecture summarizing his research.

A PhD graduate of the University of Michigan, Vitt joined the U of A as a faculty member in 1970. Besides his research and teaching contributions at the University (he consistently receives high ratings on teaching evaluations done by his students), he has served as director of the University of Alberta Devonian Botanic Garden for the past two years.

"My really basic interest is to try to understand why plants grow where they do, and how they are related to one another," says Vitt, whose love affair with mosses began with a study of the basic relationships within one group of mosses.

Although they are the second-largest group of green land plants, mosses haven't received much scientific attention — possibly because of their size, suggests Vitt. They're just too big to be profitably examined with a compound microscope, yet too small to be easily studied with the naked eye. "Because of this size problem, it takes a long time to see how one moss differs from another," he says.

Vitt's commitment to systematics ("All our knowledge must have a sound taxonomic base," he declares) led him to undertake the first reclassification of mosses since early in this century. It wasn't an easy task. "It's difficult to put together enough world-wide knowledge to know 10,000 species or the over-1,000 genera," he says. "In order to make a classification you have to have some feeling for if not all then most of those groups of mosses."

Vitt's new classification turned the old system around backwards, but his basic ordering continues to be confirmed by others. The Canadian moss checklist is now based on his system, and the recently-released book *Flora of North America* uses Vitt's classification system as the basis for the first continent-wide treatment of mosses. The system is also being used in Europe.

While classification remains the backbone of his research, Vitt's interest in ecosystems within which mosses are important has given him prominence as a wetlands scientist. According to David Schindler, the U of A's highly-regarded Killam Memorial Professor of Ecology, only three other researchers rank in Vitt's company as the top wetland scientists in

the world. "The prospect of collaboration with him was an important reason for my own move to the University of Alberta," wrote Schindler in connection with a Killam Annual Professorship awarded to Vitt last year.

During the course of that professorship, Vitt followed up his research interest in peatlands. He says that not only are peatlands important spatially — they cover large amounts of the globe, including 40 per cent of northern Alberta — they act as a giant carbon sink, mediating climate by taking carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere.

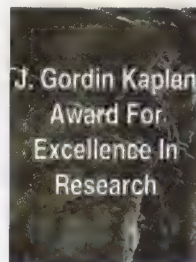
It was once assumed that Canada's vast peatlands developed very soon after the glaciers of the last ice age receded — about 10,000 years ago. However, studies by Vitt and his collaborators have shown that south of a line drawn from the Swan Hills of Alberta to Ontario there was virtually no peat 6,000 years ago. This is important because it shows that the sequestering of the carbon trapped within the peatlands had to have taken place much faster than anyone had thought. "Climatic change must have had a large effect," says Vitt.

Based on his research, Vitt is now able to relate landforms visible on aerial photographs to events in peatland development.

"These landforms tell us that within the last 200 years, as a result of the warming after the little ice age, a lot of our permafrost-dominated peatlands, common in northern Alberta, have melted," says Vitt, who is excited about this new insight into permafrost activity.

While he would be well content to pursue his research solely based on his love for his subject matter, the 1994 Research Prize winner is always alert to ways in which the knowledge he unearths might be applied and often serves as an advisor to companies in the peat moss business. "I have a strong belief that finding ways to apply basic information is a really important part of what we do at the University."

R.P.



Dale Vitt

Making Shakespeare Relevant

Shakespeare and O.J. Simpson...? On the surface, any connection between the Bard of Avon and the troubled former football hero might seem remote, but U of A English professor Linda Woodbridge sees numerous parallels between



Linda Woodbridge

a Shakespearean work and the issues raised by the criminal case Simpson is battling. "I'm sure the O.J. Simpson case will come up when I'm teaching *Othello* next year. Stalking, wife abuse, murder, racism... It's not difficult to make Shakespeare relevant to a modern audience" says Woodbridge, a specialist in the literature of the English Renaissance.

A winner of a 1994 Rutherford Award for her demonstrated excellence in undergraduate teaching, Woodbridge has been making Shakespeare, and other subjects, relevant to hundreds of U of A students since 1970, when she arrived from UCLA to become an assistant professor. She became a professor in 1982, acquiring stature as a popular and motivational instructor along the way.

"What I hope to do is teach critical reading and thinking," Woodbridge says. "I try to give students the basic skills, to develop a sense of the things that go into forming an opinion." One of her favorite techniques involves dividing her classes into four groups and then, throughout the year, assigning positions for them to take in debates on a variety of knotty issues. Woodbridge says that at the beginning of the year the students' own opinions tend to agree with their assigned argument. By the end of the course, as the students' critical faculties are honed, that changes, she says.

Woodbridge has been active in the Academic Women's Association at the

"It's sometimes valuable to be troubled by your subject," she says, "because it challenges you."

Woodbridge's first book, *Women and the English Renaissance*, was published in 1984 and has become a landmark work in feminist studies. In fact, the book stemmed from her teaching at the U of A — a class she taught on that topic was a pioneer venture in women's studies at the University. She has published three other books on Shakespeare, examining such intriguing influences on him as rituals and rites, and magic and mysticism.

Last year, Woodbridge became the first U of A professor to head the Shakespeare Association of America. Although she has recently completed her term as president, she spent time this summer helping to organize the World Shakespeare Congress, which meets every four years and will convene this year in Los Angeles.

This fall Woodbridge faces a new challenge as she leaves the U of A (she has taken a three-year unpaid leave) to begin teaching at Pennsylvania State University. "I think [the U of A] is the best English department in Canada. It was a tough decision," she recalls.

The decision was made even harder because the departing professor has a daughter who will remain in the honors English program at the U of A. "I've told her so often how good this department is," Woodbridge laughs, "that now she doesn't want to leave."

C.R.

U of A. She served as its president in 1977-78 and two years ago year received its first AWARD.

The Rutherford Award-winner notes that her own appreciation of Shakespeare has grown and changed with her personal beliefs. "He is so often used as a bastion of the old, white male guard, that people who teach Shakespeare are somewhat defensive recently." In her own case, "I came to Shakespeare before I became a feminist," says Woodbridge, who believes that new perspectives that she has brought to her studies over the years have been fruitful:

Giving Back to His Community

Through his involvement with the American University in Beirut, of which he is a trustee, Sandy Mactaggart has come to realize just how lucky Canadians are to be able to freely educate their students and pursue research at their universities. But Mactaggart doesn't stop at that realization.

Over many years, he has given generously of his time and resources to help both the U of A and the Edmonton community provide the best possible environment for learning.

The Alumni Golden Jubilee Award for 1994 is testament to Mactaggart's dedication to the cause of education.

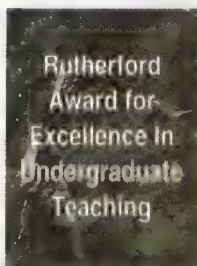
In 1952, Mactaggart and his partner, the late Jean de La Bruyère, rolled into

the city of Edmonton in a late-model Oldsmobile. Having just completed MBAs at Harvard, they were ready to take on the West, and initially hoped to catch the wave of opportunity as restaurateurs. By 1954, however, the two had changed direction and incorporated Maclab Enterprises Ltd., now a multi-million dollar real estate empire. Maclab companies are engaged in property development, energy investment, and venture capital activities with projects brewing in Canada, the U.S. and sites all over the world.

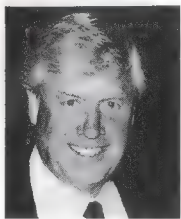
Since becoming a business success, Mactaggart has given top priority to giving something back to his community. For Mactaggart, being a part of community involves making an effort to cultivate future success. "If you are a member of a community you want to see it prosper," he reasons. On the question of which resources to protect, "there is absolutely no question that the most important intellectual resource that is going to train young people is this University," he says.

Mactaggart's generosity as a benefactor is legendary at the U of A. His imaginative gifts to the University include a replica of the Book of Kells, often described as the most beautiful book ever printed. He and his company have provided major support for the Faculty of Business, and in 1983 he donated to the University a parcel of land which is now a dedicated wildlife sanctuary.

Mactaggart's direct assistance to stu-



Matt Baldwin



One of the greatest curlers in the game's history, **Matt Baldwin, '51 BSc(Eng)**, has earned places in the Sports Halls of Fame of Edmonton, Alberta and Canada, as well as in the Canadian

Curling Hall of Fame. He was a five-time Alberta champion and three-time winner of the Brier Tankard.

While attending the University of Saskatchewan, Baldwin was responsible for organizing the first intercollegiate curling competition between Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and Alberta. He brought this enthusiasm for curling with him when he transferred into the petroleum engineering program at the U of A, and the sport soon became a recognized event on the intercollegiate calendar.

In 1950, Baldwin and fellow U of A graduate **George Knoll, '50 BSc(Eng)**, launched an oilwell servicing company that has gradually evolved into a group of companies which provide a range of diverse services to the oil and gas industry.

Baldwin's sporting spirit and energy also steers his ongoing commitment to quality of life at home. Among his community contributions, Baldwin served ten years on the executive of the community-owned Edmonton Eskimo Football Club, including a two year term as president, and through his efforts, the diverse group of agencies that now form the United Way were brought together.

Lorne Braithwaite



Whether defending yards on the football field for the Golden Bears or patrolling the blueline for the Edmonton Oil Kings, **Lorne Braithwaite, '63 BCom** excelled in athletics while he was a student at the U of A.

Braithwaite, who was born in Dewberry, Alberta, was a two-way player for the Golden Bear Football team for three seasons, serving as defensive captain. He also played for the highly-rated Junior "A" Edmonton Oil Kings, then in the Central Alberta Senior Hockey League, while a U of A undergraduate.

Braithwaite's enthusiasm and dedication gained him the position of alternate captain on the Oil Kings. In student affairs, he was president-elect of the Commerce Graduat-

ing Class of 1963. After graduation, Braithwaite began his career with the T. Eaton Company and ATCO Industries in Calgary, managing to earn an MBA from the University of Western Ontario along the way. He was senior vice-president, development for the Oxford Development Group from 1976 until 1978, when he accepted the presidency of Cambridge Leaseholds. At the time of his induction to the Sports Wall of Fame he was president and CEO, Cambridge Shopping Centres Limited.

Braithwaite's interest in young people is reflected in his long-time involvement in Junior Achievement and through volunteer work in minor hockey in the Toronto area. Commitment to his profession and community has led Braithwaite to the chair of such diverse organizations as the International Council of Shopping Centres and the Corporate Capital Campaign for the Toronto Hospital for Sick Children. He is a member of the World Presidents' Organization and was active in the Young Presidents' Organization, 1978 to 1992.

Mickey Hajash



Since coming to Canada as a youth, **Mickey Hajash, '47 BSc(Eng)** has excelled in athletics. At high school in Brooks, Alberta, Hajash made a name for himself by setting the 1941 provincial junior pole vault record. He later played a season for the North Hill Blizzard junior football team in Calgary before enrolling in mining engineering at the U of A.

At the University Hajash had an outstanding career as fullback and linebacker for the Golden Bears and was named captain in the 1946 season. A feared runner, he was seldom denied in short-yardage situations. In intramural sports he distinguished himself in hockey, basketball, track and field, and wrestling, winning the 1947 Wilson trophy as the outstanding male athlete on campus. He was also president of the Men's Athletic Board in 1946-47 and the Track and Field Club in 1944-45. In the summers, Hajash played baseball with the semi-pro team the Purity 99's, provincial champions in 1946.

After graduating from the U of A, Hajash played the 1949 season with the Calgary Stampeder Football Club. Since then, he has devoted his athletic efforts to mastering some of the most exotic golf courses in the world.

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tion for Imperial Oil, Hajash spent his professional career making significant contributions to the discovery of major oil fields in Western Canada, the Middle and Far East, and the North Sea before retiring to Victoria, B.C. in 1986.

Throughout the years, Hajash has demonstrated his community concern through a wide range of volunteer service. He has worked for the B.C. Games, international softball, senior golf, and, most recently, in preparations for the 1994 Commonwealth Games in Victoria. In 1993, Hajash was nominated Volunteer of the Year by the United Way for his efforts on a 52-unit housing project for the needy. And, mindful of his roots, he and his wife Donna have set up a foundation that provides scholarships for graduates of Brooks Composite High School.

Muriel Shapka



Muriel Shapka (Clapp), '53 BEd, better known as Mert, was born in Ponoka, Alberta, where she grew up figure-skating and pitched for the local softball team. In 1949, she came to the

U of A to begin studies in physical education which would lead to a career as coach and teacher that has kept her busy for the past 34 years.

While at the University, Shapka was an outstanding athlete in several intercollegiate sports. A valued member of the Panda swim team, Shapka helped secure three WCIAU championships between 1949 and 1953. She also competed in tennis and found time for two seasons on the Panda basketball team. At graduation, these efforts earned Shapka a Major Athletic Award, the equivalent of the Block "A".

Shapka was also active in intramural athletics at the University and won the T.M. Johnson Trophy for her outstanding contributions. In addition, she served a term as vice-president of the Physical Education Students' Society and managed intramural tennis.

Shapka remains active as a competitive curler and has won several important events and season trophies. In 1992 she was on the Edmonton tennis team at the Alberta Seniors' Games. As an educator, Shapka has spent her career dedicating herself to quality high school physical education and sport for young women. In recognition of her contributions, the Edmonton Junior Girls' Basketball Premier League is named for her, and in 1983 she received the CAHPER Honor Award.

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Sandy Mactaggart

dents has also increased his popularity on campus. He and his company have provided funds for such diverse projects as securing computers to help in academic upgrading in mathematics and providing services to renovate an old house belonging to the University for use as a Volunteer House.

The U of A has benefited from these gifts of money and resources, but Mactaggart's contributions are not solely, or even primarily, financial. Since 1990, he has served as the University's chancellor, a position for which he has volunteered countless hours. And when in the past year the U of A determined that there would be a new president, chancellor, and chair of its Board of Governors, Mactaggart committed himself to the demanding position of interim board chair. These administrative transitions have been greatly facilitated by Mactaggart's leadership.

Mactaggart has also extended his support for education beyond the University of Alberta. Besides founding the Tempo School in Edmonton, he has continually supported the special needs and programs at Alex Taylor Community School in Edmonton's inner city, and he is a governor of the Donner Canadian Foundation, which supports many different research activities in Canada. In addition, he is a member of the Resources Committee at Harvard University.

Mactaggart believes that the challenge of supporting education in a time of financial restraint can bring out his community's hidden talents, and he is opti-

mistic about what can be accomplished at the University of Alberta. "I believe that this University is filled with exceptional people who, through these difficult times, will prove how exceptional they are," says the 1994 Alumni Golden Jubilee Award-winner.

D.R.

Building a Strong Community

John Poole, '37 BSc(Eng), '87 LLD (Honorary), has spent much of his life in the construction industry, but he knows that it takes more than build- ings to make a community.

That's why the winner of a 1994 Distinguished Alumni Award contributes to local charities such as the Salvation Army and the United Way. It's why, when he and his family take vacations, they often stay close to home, skiing at Lake Louise, sailing at Pigeon Lake, and hiking in Alberta's parks. It's also why he and his wife, Barbara, are longtime supporters of Edmonton's cultural institutions, including the Citadel Theatre, the Edmonton Symphony, and the Edmonton Opera.

Indeed, Poole, whose work with Poole Construction Ltd. (now employee-owned PCL Constructors Inc.) took him across North America, believes his hometown

offers exceptional cultural programs.

"We've got terrific theatre here now, great music and great opera," he says, quickly adding that these programs benefit the entire community. "If you don't have a strong cultural core in a city like Edmonton, that's so far away from everything, you'll have a hard time attracting good business or good technical people or good doctors or anything."

Strengthening Edmonton, whether by contributing to its business community or thinking about how to encourage talented, innovative, hardworking people to settle here, is never far from Poole's mind. In addition to his involvement with charitable and cultural causes, he has also served on the boards of Suncor, Shaw Cable, the T.D. Bank, the Banff Centre, and the Lester B. Pearson College of the Pacific, and he helped start Oxford Development Co. Ltd.

In 1980, he was inducted into the Business Hall of Fame of Junior Achievement for Northern Alberta. Four years later, he received the Canadian Business Leader Award from the U of A Business Faculty.

Courtesy of John Poole



John and Barbara Poole

Of all his non-business activities, he is particularly proud of two: endowing, with his brother, **George Poole, '43 BSc(Eng)**, a chair in engineering management in the name of their parents at the U of A; and the work that he, George, and retired PCL CEO **Bob Stollery, '49 BSc(Eng), '85 LLD (Honorary)**, put into reviving the Edmonton Community Foundation.

The Foundation, created by an Act of the Provincial Legislature in 1971, was basically inactive until 1989, when the Poole and Stollery families got involved. Since then, dozens of people have made contributions, and the Foundation has \$32 million and is growing, ensuring continuous support for programs ranging from the Boys' and Girls'

Clubs and the Edmonton Women's Shelter to the Alberta Ballet and the Edmonton Art Gallery.

"The three of us are delighted to have been able to participate in helping the community in this way," says Poole.

Except for four or five years in Montreal during World War II, working as an engineer on munitions plants for the government and doing other war-related work, Poole has spent his adult life in Edmonton, much of it running the business he and George bought from their father in 1948.

Poole Construction Ltd. was a small company then, but it wasn't long after oil was discovered, in 1947, that the company began to grow. Royalties from oil wells allowed the government to spruce up small towns, paving streets and putting down sidewalks and sewer lines. Poole won many of those contracts. When the Korean War began, the company picked up even more work, because it was one of few willing and able to work in the far North.

In addition to building roads and sewer and water lines, and erecting hundreds of prefabricated houses, Poole Construction also did cleanup work when buildings put up by the U.S. Army began sinking into permafrost.

"We had to go in there two or three times and jack the buildings up," Poole recalls "They would put heaters under the buildings in the winter time in order to keep the water from freezing in the pipes, and the foundation melted and down went the buildings, inches deep at some times."

Just about any work that needed to be done in the Arctic went to Poole Construction. At the same time, the company was expanding in the southern market as well, bidding on projects throughout Canada. It had offices in Calgary, Regina, Saskatoon, Winnipeg, and Vancouver.

Part of what made the company successful was the forward-thinking approach that Poole and his brother took toward employee relations. Long before it was fashionable, they made a commitment to the philosophy of teamwork in the workplace, fostering management systems, such as profit sharing, that rewarded employees through cooperation.

When Poole and his brother retired in 1977, they sold the company to a group of senior management, including Stollery, who was then CEO. Although Poole stayed on as a director for a couple of

years, his connection to the company was effectively severed.

Still, after devoting more than half his life to one company, it's impossible to completely cut ties. Poole is interested in PCL's progress, and he's excited at how successful the company has become — it's now one of the biggest construction organizations in North America.

"They've grown lots since they got rid of us," he jokes.

D.W.

Not Just About Numbers

Talking to his class one day, Mike Gibbins remarked that if he hadn't become a professor he would probably have stayed with his former accounting firm, become a partner and done well. But then he stopped and reflected. No, he concluded, he probably wouldn't have prospered as an accountant. If he was meant to be an educator it would have eventually surfaced.

After the class, a student came up and asked a question Gibbins remembers well. "You mean I'm being taught by people who would have failed at being real business people?"

Most of Gibbins' students, however, see him in a more positive light, appreciating the teaching ability which recently earned him a 1994 Rutherford Award.

The honor is further proof of the contribution Gibbins makes to the Department of Accounting and Management Infor-

mation Systems. Recently reappointed Winspear Professor of Professional Accounting, he is also serving as the Department's acting chair and he finds time to edit the journal *Contemporary Accounting Research*.

Gibbins came to Alberta in 1984, drawn by the birth of a special new project, the University's Centre for the Advancement of Professional Accounting Education. He became the centre's first director and has been teaching and researching at the University ever since.

"In teaching accounting I've tried hard to get students to understand that accounting is a human artifact like anything else we make. It's there because it's useful for people somehow or another," says Gibbins, whose research primarily focuses on the way that corporations and professionals process information (figure out what information to release about themselves) and make decisions.

Mapping decision-making might not sound like accounting, but Gibbins asserts that the profession isn't just about numbers. It's also about people. Gibbins says he has always been attracted to people problems rather than technical ones, a trait which naturally led him to teaching.

Twenty-five years ago Gibbins was a professional accountant with no idea of how much his interest in people would influence the course of his career. The turning point came in 1970 when he was asked to teach a computer course in Scotland to a group of UN computer experts. Despite the fact that the students in his first class knew more about the subject than he did, "the experience was a great success," he recalls. "I found that I could get ideas across and that I could explain things, in some ways better than the technical experts could. I guess I was hooked at that point," says Gibbins.

Teaching undergraduate students, however, has its own challenges. Giving a lecture to 400 students and keeping their attention -- as well as teaching them something -- isn't easy, but Gibbins has found that "learning sticks" when students can get involved with practical projects. "I'm a great fan of project-based and co-op education," he says, "I've always felt that the best kind of learning is learning you



Mike Gibbins

discover for yourself."

The Rutherford Award is not the only honor Gibbins has received in recognition of his gift for teaching. He is a past recipient of the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce Education Achievement Award, of the L.S. Rosen Outstanding Canadian Accounting Educator Award given by the Canadian Academic Accounting Association, and of the U of A Business Faculty's Labatt Undergraduate Teaching Award. Ironically, all this recognition means Gibbins will have even less time for teaching, for it has brought greater responsibilities such as the Department chair. "That's the reward you get for good teaching," he laughs, "you end up being taken out of the classroom."

But Gibbins isn't likely to give up teaching entirely. The most rewarding thing about his job, says Gibbins, is "finding out that students do appear to have learned something." He takes pleasure in "...having a student come back and say something you did really helped them, talking to a former student years later, or even just seeing a student say, 'Oh, that's not so hard. I see how that works.'"

D.R.

A Different Sort of Rush

Randy Boissonnault is eagerly anticipating his forthcoming studies at Oxford as a 1994 Rhodes scholar, but he admits that the scholarship was something he hadn't really planned on applying for — at least not yet.

Boissonnault's road to Oxford began with a lunch date with a friend who was applying for the scholarship. She had asked him to go through the application with her, and looking over the memorandum, Boissonnault discovered an age restriction — the following year he would be too old to apply.

Hurriedly, Boissonnault, who was about to leave for a conference in Washington, managed to enter an application. Then the selection process began.

After the interviews at the regional level, he went home to await the results. He was vacuuming when the call came. "Randy," a voice said, "the committee has made its decision."

Boissonnault recalls that, fearing the worst, he wanted to ask, "Can I go back to vacuuming please?" But then the voice said, "we'd like to offer you a scholarship."



Randy Boissonnault

The U of A Students' Union president in 1992-93, Boissonnault is known for his involvements on campus, but his sense of civic responsibility appeared much earlier in life. He grew up in Morinville, Alberta, where his community spirit (and a forceful nudge by a friend's mom) led him to become a volunteer firefighter — a responsibility he continued to shoulder two years after starting at the U of A. "It was a good attitude adjustment and perspective gainer," says Boissonnault, "and it was even a rush. You would get on the back of the fire trucks and the sirens would be blaring when you'd go to a call."

Serving as the U of A Students' Union president was a "rush" of a different sort for Boissonnault, who recalls many satisfying accomplishments, but one in particular. "The most challenging and most rewarding experience was working on the campaign to renovate the Students' Union Building," says Boissonnault. "We had to draft up a concept that was acceptable to everybody internally, convince supporters externally, and then secure financing and start construction — all in an incredibly condensed space of time."

Boissonnault, an active member of the Kappa Alpha Literary Society, served as a parliamentary guide in Ottawa during the summer of 1990. It was an ideal job for someone with Boissonnault's interest in politics, and the visits of the Queen, Nelson Mandela, and Mikal Gorbachev, and the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the flag, made it an experience he will never forget.

However, Boissonnault is looking forward to a break from political life while at Oxford and plans to focus on sport, dra-

ma, music, and travel. He has already had an invitation to play for the Ice Hockey Association. "They accept people right off the pond — so that's me," he says.

Boissonnault studied in Faculté Saint-Jean's Études canadiennes program while at the U of A. Since graduation, he's been a partner in Unique Perspectives Group, which has done consulting work for Big Brothers and Big Sisters, Edmonton and the University's administration. At Oxford, he plans to complete bachelor's and master's degrees in a program of philosophy, politics, and economics. He finds this integrated program attractive because "in it you don't need a calculator to study economics."

A sense of community and a spirit of tolerance and understanding between staff, administration, and students are things Boissonnault knows he'll take with him from the U of A. But he's not yet decided on a career. "I think that there will be so many opportunities when I'm away," he says, explaining that he wants to remain open to all the possibilities.

He is, however, certain of one thing — that he will one day return to Canada. "I don't think that there's any other place in the world that I'd rather live," he concludes.

D.R.

Making Earth Science Interesting

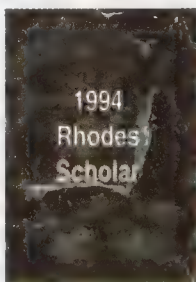
In essence, what you're doing is competing with that great medium television," says Roger Morton. "If you don't do the job they'll switch you off."

Morton knows what he's talking about. One of this year's Rutherford Award-winners for undergraduate teaching, the professor of geology has figured out how to make earth science interesting even for those who don't know a thing about it.

Since he came to the U of A in 1966, Morton has introduced countless students to economic geology. His introductory courses for both specialists and general undergraduates are highly regarded by those lucky enough to attend them.

And Morton appreciates their enthusiasm. "It almost brings you to tears each year when you hear how grateful people are to go into a course that they've enjoyed," says Morton, who explains that he not only tries to take care of the first-year people. "I'm also almost recruiting people into geology."

Becoming a teacher wasn't something Morton planned. Everything, he says, just





Roger Morton

fell into place. He grew up in northern England, doing his PhD at the University of Nottingham. When confronted with having to find a job, he hopped a boat to Norway and became a research fellow at the University of Oslo. Fate decreed his return to Nottingham — this time to teach — but he was not to stay there long. When he was passed over for a promotion because of his humble social background, he decided it was time to go, and Alberta was the place. As a result of the move, his salary jumped from \$2000 to \$11,000, which seemed like a fortune back then.

But money has little to do with the rewards of teaching, stresses Morton. "One is paid not just in money but in the joy of seeing your students succeed — not just to your level, but beyond your level."

The way to stimulate his students' desire to learn and foster their success is something Morton didn't just figure out overnight. "Like red wine you get better with age," he muses. And using the best in modern media doesn't hurt when it comes to keeping 400 students interested and awake at eight o'clock in the morning. "If you go in there and stand behind

a lectern and become ecclesiastical, people are going to go to sleep on you," he laughs.

A sense of humor is a great asset in the classroom, and Morton brought to his teaching some previous experience at making people laugh. In 1952 a pandemic of influenza struck western Europe, and to raise the spirits of some local children, he helped put on a Laurel and Hardy vaudeville show. This isn't far removed from what good teachers do in class, says Morton, who adds that you have to "be at the level of your audience, to remember what it was like when you were an undergrad yourself."

Having thrown himself into some thoroughly dangerous projects over the years, Morton is known as the Indiana Jones of his department. "Adventure

drives me more than anything," he says of his geological quests in places from China to Zimbabwe, Costa Rica, Peru, Indonesia, and the Philippines. Golden Star Resources Ltd., a corporation he co-founded with U of A grad and former Edmonton Eskimo football player **Dave Fennell**, '79 LLB, now takes Morton to Guyana, Suriname, French Guyana, and Venezuela. But exploring for gold and diamonds is not just leisurely diversion for Morton, who is also a gemmologist and silversmith. What he modestly calls "extra-university activities" makes him an even better teacher. Morton strongly believes that students need real world knowledge, not just vague theories about the earth and its industries. Part of his challenge as an instructor is to bring his outside experiences to life for his students.

Though the pursuit of diamonds and gold has its own appeal, Morton gets his greatest thrill from seeing his students get excited about geology. As for golden laurels — namely the Rutherford Award — "that sort of thing is merely an added shine onto the compliments that you get on a yearly basis," says Morton. D.R.

Achieving an Equilibrium

I would never have dreamed, when they instituted them back in the early 70s, that I would become one," says Ted Blodgett, discussing his most recent honor: his appointment as "University Professor".

The prestigious, life-long appointment was conferred upon Blodgett this year by the University of Alberta in recognition of his contributions to the study of comparative literature and to scholarship at the U of A and in Canada.

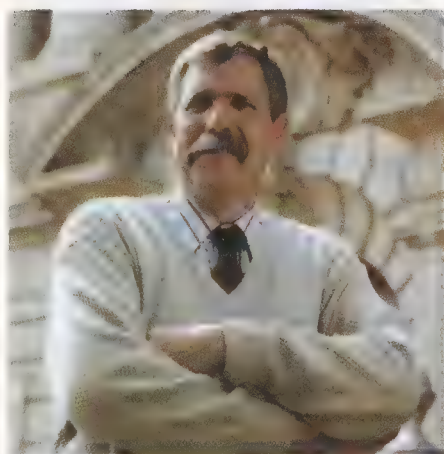
Blodgett has been writing and teaching at the University since 1966, when he began instructing courses in English and Romance languages. He brought to Alberta knowledge of many languages and national literatures — as well as a PhD from Rutgers University and the experience of a year at the Université d'Aix-Marseille in France.

Since coming to the U of A, Blodgett has taught everything from a long-running introductory course in world literature to a class in feminist literary theory. A founder of the University's Department of Comparative Literature (which was recently merged with the Film Studies program and the Department of Religious Studies), he now specializes in courses on Canadian literature and medieval writings.

A prolific research scholar throughout the years, Blodgett has used his knowledge of languages to translate such works as the *Carmina Burana*, a vast collection of poetry dating back to the 13th century. In 1986 he collaborated on a volume derived from this collection. "We just carved out the largest section which is the love poetry," recounts Blodgett, who undertook the project with University of Wisconsin professor Roy Arthur Swanson.

Their translation is part of the same series in which Blodgett's most recent work will soon be published. That work is a translation of *Flamenca*, a medieval romance written in Old Provençal, a language which is an early relative of French. His interest in translating the romance arose out of its peculiarity to Provençal culture. It was also a lot of fun, he says. "It seems to have been written in such a way that it exposes all the fun of romances —





E.D. Blodgett

it's not a very serious romance at all," says Blodgett.

Besides finishing the translation during his study leave this past year, he has also been keeping busy planning a book of studies which will examine the conditions appropriate to writing a history of the Canadian literatures. Over the years, Blodgett's research and scholarly writing has been recognized as being seminal in the development of comparative studies on the literatures of Canada. His work has resulted in books such as *Configuration: Essays in the Canadian Literatures* and *Alice Munro* and has earned him awards such as the President's Medal from the University of Western Ontario and election to fellowship in the Royal Society of Canada.

Even when Blodgett puts his scholarly writing aside, he is unable to put down his pen completely. The new University Professor has written several volumes of poetry and **Robert Kroetsch, '48 BA**, the renowned writer and Distinguished Professor of Canadian Literature at the University of Manitoba, calls Blodgett's most recent verse collection a "principal text in the history of Canadian poetry." Entitled *Da Capo: New and Selected*, the collection contains *Arché/Elegies*, the verse series that won Blodgett the Writers' Guild of Alberta Award for Poetry in 1984.

It's been four years since *Da Capo* appeared on booksellers' shelves, and Blodgett promises that a newly completed book of verse will be out soon. In the meantime, he keeps his creativity sharpened through poetic dialogue with Université de Montréal professor and writer Jacques Brault. In a Japanese form known as *renga* — a linked poem written by two or more people — the two send poems back and forth, each responding to the other's. Brault writes in French and Blodgett in English,

and they've made the project even more convoluted by including translations of each other's poems. "It will be a continuous kind of interflowing poem," says Blodgett, adding that the end result will eventually be published.

Blodgett contends that for him, the process of writing involves cultivating an attentiveness to surprise, mystery, and miracle in the world. "Writing is much more passive than the word *writer*," he says. "I feel more like a *written*." For him, he says, the writing of poetry is best described as a flowering that "pushes all the words where they want to go until it's all over and you're hardly aware it happened."

Through the years, Blodgett has served the University and other professional organizations in administrative capacities. In addition to having served as the chair of the Department of Comparative Literature, he directs the Canadian division of the Research Institute for Comparative Literature/Institut de recherches en littérature comparée and is a past president of the Writers' Guild of Alberta. He has also been a member of the League of Canadian Poets.

Although Blodgett has been recognized for his many contributions to Canadian literature and its study, he says success can't be measured in awards, salaries, or promotion. "Success is achieving a certain kind of equilibrium," says the 1994 University Professor. And he hasn't lost sight of a pivotal aspect of professorship — being a teacher. Blodgett finds that "some of the most remarkable moments of insight come from discussions with students. I don't think one would learn things that are important to learn if one simply did research. I've always been partial to research, but the heart of a university is the professor-student relationship. Things go from there."

D.R.

Exploring Trails Less Travelled

The radio producer who got Gary Kelly started as a regular contributor to CBC Radio in Edmonton had been looking for an English prof to tell people off for their bad use of language.

She got the wrong person in Kelly, who did something entirely different. During his six years as a radio free-lancer Kelly didn't put people down for their use of English. Instead, he tried to make listeners aware of the social history and hidden political agendas in language, and of the

way "standard" and "correct" English are too often used to prevent the socially marginalized from gaining confidence in their ability to live a fully human life. And from challenging power and authority that operates in someone else's interest.

Kelly, who has taught English at the U of A since 1976, grew up in a single parent family "from the wrong side of the tracks" in Toronto, and he hasn't forgotten his origins. He says that memory of his early circumstances "has driven me over the

years and continues to motivate me still, and it keeps my work honest — at least I think it's honest.

"I don't want to lose my sense of having benefitted from the opportunities that were made available in the '60s,

'70s and '80s and are no longer being made available," says Kelly, a winner of a 1994 Kaplan Award recognizing research excellence by a U of A faculty member.

As a scholar, Kelly has stayed away from well-worn paths, exploring trails others have shunned. "In research I go for the marginal, the excluded, the undervalued, and I look for the power relations — that is, the political element," he says.

While an undergraduate at the University of Toronto (he was able to complete his degree only because the student loan program was introduced during that time, he pointed out during his Kaplan address) Kelly was struck by the narrowness of the treatment given the Romantic



Gary Kelly

period — four weeks of Byron, Wordsworth, Coleridge, Shelley and Keats; that was it — and he has since studied the prose fiction of the period, from bestsellers and the cheap print of the common press to books for children. A result of his investigations was *The English Jacobin Novel 1780-1805*, which was published in 1976.

For his doctoral thesis and first book, Kelly looked at the political novel of the French Revolution period. Another book focussed on Mary Wollstonecraft, whom he describes as “the first widely known and still much misunderstood English feminist.” Two recent books deal with women’s writing, and he is also general editor for *Longman’s History of Women’s Writing in English*.

Following graduation from the U of T, Kelly “by hook and by crook” was able to scrape together the necessary support to attend Oxford University, where he later received Canada Council funding for his doctoral studies.

“I enjoyed the research; I didn’t enjoy the undergraduate experience. I found Oxford very narrow socially,” recalls Kelly, who came into his own at Oxford when he began working independently in the library. And for him research still centres on “the thrill of the chase” in the library. “I’m an archival researcher,” he says. “I need access to books and large quantities of books.”

The excellence of the University of Alberta Library was a factor in attracting Kelly to the U of A 18 years ago. Concern about the future of the University’s library is now a factor in Kelly’s decision to leave the U of A.

“I don’t have confidence anymore that the U of A Library will be maintained the way I think it should be, given what is happening in this province” says Kelly, who has taken a three-year leave to accept an appointment at the University of Keele in northern England.

At Keele, Kelly will not only be closer to major libraries, he will be better situated to follow up his interest in the relationship between Irish literature and the “failure to achieve a civil society” in that troubled land. He will also have the chance to put some of his ideas about what an English department should be into practice as the department head at Keele.

Kelly has left the door open for a return to Alberta, but whether or not he comes back will have a lot to do with opportunities for his wife, who is completing a graduate degree in English. When she

finishes it will be time for his career priorities to be set behind hers, says Kelly.

“But no matter what happens,” he says, “I have had a wonderful, wonderful 18 years at the U of A.”

R.P.

A Rare Combination

When Michael Brett was awarded one of the U of A’s McCalla Professorships in 1989, the professor of electrical engineering was excited about the opportunity to concentrate on his research — during the tenure of the professorship, he would have no teaching responsibilities.

As it turned out, Brett didn’t enjoy his year as a McCalla Professor to the extent that he thought he would. The plain fact was that he missed the classroom. Not just the interaction that takes place there, but the feeling of satisfaction to be derived from a good lecture session.

Research, Brett points out, can be slow, incremental and painstaking. You can come home after a day of work on a research project and feel you’ve not accomplished much, he says. After a good period in the classroom, it’s different. “I feel I’ve done something significant for the day,” says Brett, who recently received one of the University’s 1994 Rutherford Teaching Awards.

“I enjoy working in front of a large class,” says Brett. “I enjoy feeding off of the enthusiasm, and I make a point of being enthusiastic myself.” He also pays attention to details: starting and finishing on time, being organized, having practical examples to illustrate points, and so on.

Brett credits the Department of Electrical Engineering with having a number of good policies to promote good teaching. When he arrived on campus in the mid-’80s, having done his undergraduate studies at Queen’s and then earned graduate degrees at UBC, he was eased into his teaching responsibilities, he says. “That allows you to develop courses properly.”

He also found mentors at hand, experienced faculty members such as Fred Vermeulen, Bob James and Peter Smy, and his office was situated in such a way that he could exchange hard-earned teaching tips with other young faculty members.

Brett’s commitment to teaching is such that it receives extra attention much of the



Michael Brett

year. “During the school year, I make it a priority to put teaching first,” says Brett. But this hasn’t prevented him from establishing himself as one of the research stars within the Faculty of Engineering.

Brett is a specialist in thin films, an expertise which has broad applications. Thin films give special properties to lenses of every sort — camera lenses, eyeglass lenses, and so on. They are applied to fabrics, to car windows, even to high-denomination bank notes, making them difficult to counterfeit. One of Brett’s current projects involves using thin-film technology in a gas-sensing device.

However, the primary thin-film application to which Brett gives his attention is the manufacture of computer chips — essentially layers and layers of silicon-based, patterned film. Brett, who wryly observes that “making electronic gizmos in silicon is a hot topic these days,” is currently involved in work to incorporate miniature coolers into chips to selectively cool portions of the chip.

This work is being done in conjunction with the Alberta Microelectronic Centre, and the Centre’s president, John Zupancic, speaks highly of the work Brett does. “As a researcher he brings to bear to his research, not only his outstanding intellectual abilities, but also a vision and focus to his research program that is unique in the research community.

“This commitment to both focused research and excellence in educating is a rare combination in one individual.”

R.P.



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Daniel James Allen '73 BSc(Pharm)
Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences

The owner of the Dolar Drug Mart on 132 Street and 132 Avenue, Dan has been recognized for "Outstanding Service to the Community" by Wellington Community League.

Christina Andrews '86 MLS
Senate Representative
Christina, library manager for Alberta Education Library Services, is active in a number of Greek cultural groups in Edmonton and is a former Alumni Association president.

Jim Beckett '73 BSc(Eng)
Faculty of Engineering
President (Senate Representative)
Jim is vice-president of Alberta Power's transmission department. He has served as secretary of the Southwest Parents for French Immersion and has been active in Boy Scouts of Canada.

Gerry Bolton '69 BSc, '74 PhD
Faculty of Science
Gerry's work with Sherritt Inc. involves marketing Sherritt technologies worldwide. He has served for many years on the board of the Metallurgical Society of the Canadian Institute of Mining.

Elliot Gelfand '65 MD
Faculty of Medicine
A clinical professor of cardiothoracic surgery at the U of A, Elliott is active in his profession and currently serves as the president of the Canadian Society of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgeons.

Margaret Johnson '60 Dip(Nu), '62 BSc(Nu), '80 MHSA
Faculty of Graduate Studies
A former president and CEO of the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Margaret is now a health care consultant. She is active in both the American and Canadian Colleges of Healthcare Executives.

Yvon Laberge '82 BA, '84 BEd
Faculty of Faculté Saint-Jean
A consultant with Hope Learning Systems, Yvon has expertise in literacy, community development and education, and helped found the Family Literacy Action Group of Alberta.

Donald Lee, Q.C. '73 BA, '74 LLB
Faculty of Arts
A justice of the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench, Don is a former Canadian Human Rights Tribunal panel member. He at one time served as president of the Chinese Canadian National Council.

Graham Lock '65 BSc(Eng)
Board of Governors Representative
Graham is president of the CU Gas Division of Canadian Utilities, which includes Northwestern Utilities Ltd. A former Canadian Chamber of Commerce board member, he now serves on the Canadian Gas Association board.

Deni Lorieau '73 BA
Senate Representative
Deni works with the Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages as the Commissioner's Representative for Alberta, B.C., Yukon and N.W.T. He is president of the Edmonton Heritage Festival Association.

Lloyd Malin, Q.C. '65 BA, '70 LLB
Faculty of Law
Vice President (Finance)
A partner in the Milner Fenerty law firm, Lloyd chairs that firm's Institutions and Private Corporations Practice Group. He is an executive member of the Royal Alexandra Hospital's governing board.

Ward Niou '93 BA
Graduate Students' Association Representative
Ward is the GSA's vice-president (internal). An MBA student, he has contributed to activities at the University of Alberta International Centre.

Joanne O'Gorman '75 BSc(PT)
Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine
Joanne has worked as a clinical therapist and consultant in a variety of health care settings and organizations. She is a manager with Alberta Health in the Policy and Planning Branch.

Darwin Park '67 BPE
Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation
A partner in the executive search firm Davies, Park & Associates, Darwin chaired the Spruce Grove City Status committee. He is a director of the 1996 Alberta Summer Games Society.

Phil Ponting, Q.C. '68 BCom
Faculty of Business
Vice-President (Communications)
A partner in the law firm McLennan Ross, Phil is a director of the Edmonton Symphony Society, the chairman of the Edmonton Concert Hall Foundation, and the president of the Economics Society of Northern Alberta.

Suzanne Scott
Students' Union Representative
The president of the Students' Union, Suzanne previously played a leadership role with Student Orientation Services. Her recent honors include a Peter Lougheed Scholarship.

Bill Sharun '72 BSc, '74 DDS
Faculty of Dentistry
The president of the Alberta Dental Association, Bill has practised since 1974 with the Associate Dental Group, one of Alberta's first group dental practices.

Bryun Sigfstead '67 DDS, '73 Dip(Ortho)
Past President
Vice-President (Bylaws and Nominating)
Bryun is a practising orthodontist and the president of the Canadian Dental Association. He is a former director of the United Way Community Fund in Edmonton and head of its professional division fundraising drive.

Rod Simpson '74 BSc(Forest), '86 MBA
Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry
Rod, who has experience in government and the forest industry, is a management consultant with KPMG in Edmonton and finance chairman of the Alberta Registered Professional Foresters' Association.

Grant Smith '68 BCom
Board of Governors Representative
A 'Soft Drink Industry Man of the Year,' Grant is the founder of HPI Beverages, Western Canada's largest custom packager of beverages, and a former Economic Development Edmonton director.

Judith Sunley '84 BA, '90 MHSA
Member at Large
Judith, a human resources consultant at Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital, lectures for the U of A Faculty of Medicine and is an executive member of the Human Resources Management Association of Edmonton.

Liz Turnbull '85 BSc(Nu), '94 MNU
Faculty of Nursing
Liz is the acting executive director of the Alberta Association of Registered Nurses. She has served the AARN in various capacities and is a former assistant director of nursing at the Royal Alexandra Hospital's Women's Centre.

Maury Van Vliet '61 BSc, '64 LLB
Member at Large
A former vice-president of Basketball Canada, Maury has a real estate consulting company, and he has played a leadership role in the movement to revitalize downtown Edmonton.

Lucille Walter '63 BEd
Faculty of Education
Lucille is head of counselling at J. Percy Page School in Edmonton. She is active in the Canadian Guidance and Counselling Association and involved in the Centre for Education.

Class of '69 Ready to Celebrate

In 1969, about 450,000 youths flocked to Woodstock to hear Credence Clearwater Revival, the Who, and the Grateful Dead. In that same year, Yassir Arafat was elected chairman of the PLO, the Jackson Five was formed, and the first man walked on the moon. Also in that year, more than 3,000 University of Alberta grads left to make their mark on the world.

Twenty-five years later graduates Gareth Crandall, '69 BSc(Eng); Jan McMillan, '69 Dip(RehabMed); Pam Miles, '69 BCom; Judy (Bartoshy) Hunt, '69 BSc(HEc); and Reg Norby, '69 BSc(Ag) are thinking about those days as they prepare for their class reunions at Reunion Weekend '94. While flipping through the yearbook the first reaction from a few of these grads is, "Did I really look like that?" and McMillan exclaims, "We sure liked to get all dressed up for those Wau-neita formals!"

Organizing their class reunions has given the grads a great opportunity to think back to their years on campus. Recalls Hunt, "I have such vivid memories of 8:00 a.m. classes, the north wind blowing as we walked to Tory, and stopping at the Tuck Shop for cinnamon buns."

Reliable landmarks like the Tuck Shop were still there in 1969, but the campus skyline was changing with the addition of new buildings, such as the Students' Union Building, which sprouted up during the growth phase of the University. The atmosphere changed too, reflects Miles. "When I first started, it was a formal place with formal attitudes and dress. By the time I graduated you saw army fatigues, jeans, and students were questioning everything."

While the late-'60s was a time of student unrest, with campuses across North America in a turmoil over civil rights and the Vietnam War, it didn't seem to touch the University of Alberta as much, according to these grads. Recalls Crandall, "We were aware of activism



The class of '69 saw great changes in the university.

because of the attention it was getting in the United States. My friends certainly had sympathy for it, but didn't see too much on campus." Although activism was more prominent in the States, Norby remembers a "Revolution and the University" conference on campus.

The progress, growth and optimism of the times seemed more prevalent than student unrest. Each of these reunion organizers remembers with fondness the idealism on campus. Recalls Norby, "The campus was really a window on

the world at that time. The Treasure Van [a travelling international craft show], the performing artists and speakers of national and international repute who came to campus all seemed to open up a new world to the students. We also had great campus and faculty spirit." The classmates concur that the University was a great place to be. "It was a protected environment yet we had the freedom and time to learn and explore," explains Miles.

Of course, for many of these grads it was a carefree world

because there seemed to be so many opportunities for them upon graduation. Students in some faculties had several job offers to choose from when they graduated. This no doubt influenced the optimistic outlook of the students. Miles admits with a smile, "I believed that anything was possible when I was in university," and Norby agrees. "We were probably naive and free to be that way," he says.

The carefree atmosphere of the late-'60s contrasts sharply with the present reality for many of today's students. McMillan has two children studying at the U of A and Gareth Crandall's son just graduated from Engineering. Both agree that the campus is a much more serious place.

"My kids deal with a lot of pressure and seem to work much harder than I remember doing," says McMillan.

On a positive note, technology has advanced in 25 years, making some things easier for students. Registration no longer involves a two-day trek around campus. Students simply dial the phone to access a computerized registration system.

Crandall points out that her son was able to hand in assignments via computer modem "rather than using a slide rule and computer punch cards."

As the reunion organizers receive responses from classmates planning to attend Reunion Weekend '94, they realize how important this reunion is to classmates and to

Beckett Heads New Alumni Executive

The Alumni Association has a new president.

Jim Beckett, '73 BSc(Eng) was elected president of the University of Alberta Alumni Association for 1994-95 at the Association's Annual General Meeting held on 19 May.

Beckett, who joined Alumni Council in 1989 as the Faculty of Engineering representative, was vice-president (programs) on the 1993-94 alumni executive. A resident of Edmonton, Jim works for

Alberta Power as the vice-president of the transmission department. In that position, he is responsible for the design, construction, operation and maintenance of the Alberta power transmission system.

Active in his profession and in the community, he is a member of the Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta and a number of other professional associations. He has given his time and

energy to community and school organizations, including Boy Scouts of Canada and the French Immersion school program. He also serves on the Faculty of Engineering's Faculty Advisory Board.

Beckett takes over from Edmonton dentist Bryn Sigfstead, who will remain on Alumni Council as the past-president.

For a complete listing of Alumni Council members, please see the preceding page.



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themselves. For McMillan it will be a chance to catch up with people and discover what they are doing. For Hunt the reunion will give her a chance to rekindle old friendships. For Pam Miles it has been a great chance to think back and appreciate special people and events. For Gareth Crandall this reunion will be an opportunity to return to his roots and reestablish contact with people with whom he hopes to stay in touch into his retirement years.

On a philosophical note, Reg Norby emphasizes that reunions play an important role like any milestone in life. "Events like these give us a chance to 'stop and smell the roses' if only for a weekend... to think back to fun times, and to stop and celebrate what we all have achieved."

Classes making special plans for their 25th anniversary at Reunion Weekend include: Arts, Agriculture, Commerce, Engineering, Educational Administration, Home Economics and Rehabilitation Med. However, all graduates of 1969 are invited back to campus.

So are the special anniversary classes of 1934, 1944, and 1954 — and everyone else. Reunion Weekend is a homecoming for all U of A alumni.



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Salute to Volunteers



Retired Edmonton doctor, **John Lipinski**, '44 BSc, '48 MD, has been the driving force behind the nine reunions staged so far by the medical class of 1948. In 1958 John and his late classmate Dr James Leeder organized the first reunion of their class. Since then the class has met in many different locales—Kelowna, San Francisco, Vancouver, Calgary and Edmonton—usually every five years, with the most recent taking place this past summer. John had a general practice for 20 years in Edmonton before moving into medical administration at the Edmonton General Hospital where he was Medical Director for 16 years. He now enjoys travelling with his wife Mary, writing, reading, and visiting with his six grandchildren.

Volunteers are the heart of your Association

1994 Class Reunions

The Alumni Association is happy to help individual classes organize special events during Reunion Weekend '94 (30 September, 1 and 2 October 1994) or plan reunions at other times. The following classes are currently planning reunions:

Class/Place/Date/Contact:

- '24 **Graduating Class** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Alumni Office
- '34 **Graduating Class** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Muriel Thomas
- '34 **Medicine** Edmonton/September 22-23/Edmund Cairns
- '44 **Graduating Class** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Alumni Office
- '44 **Agriculture** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/A. Robblee, W. Andrew
- '44 **Arts** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Betty Schwob
- '44 **Commerce** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Robert Wilson, Bob Purvis
- '44 **Engineering** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Harry Hole
- '44 **Home Economics** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Betty LeFroy
- '44 **Law** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/G. Amerongen, M. Howey
- '44 **Nursing** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Edythe Markstad-Buchanan
- '44 **Pharmacy** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Mary Bell, Jean Dawdy
- '44 **Science** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Leslie Russell
- '54 **Graduating Class** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Alumni Office
- '54 **Commerce** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Valerie Fitzgerald
- '54 **Dentistry** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Joseph Sikora
- '54 **Education** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Avis Little
- '54 **Chemical Eng** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Bruce Dafeo
- '54 **Civil Eng** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Lorne Dixon
- '54 **Home Economics** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Rita O'Brien
- '54 **Law** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Edward Trott
- '54 **Pharmacy** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Dorothy Macquisten
- '64 **Commerce** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Peter Maxie
- '69 **Graduating Class** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Alumni Office
- '69 **Agriculture** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Reginald Norby
- '69 **Arts** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Brad Willis
- '69 **Chemical Eng** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Gareth Crandall
- '69 **Commerce** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/C. Brown, Pamela Miles
- '69 **Library & Info Studies** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Kerri Calvert
- '69 **MEd (Admin)** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Audrey Clark
- '69 **Home Economics** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Wendy Lomnes
- '69 **Medicine** Edmonton/Sept 22/Rick Anderson
- '69 **Physical Education** Jasper Park Lodge/Nov 11-13/ Marnie Rutledge
- '69 **Rehab Med** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Jan McMillan
- '74 **Physiotherapy** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Susan Muirhead
- '79 **Law** Edmonton/September 23/Doris Wilson
- '84 **Chemical Eng** Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Michael Crothers

Other Reunions:

Education Students Who Started at the U of A Together in 1945
Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Norma Proudfoot

Concert Choir 25th Anniversary
Edmonton/April 7-8, 1995/Debbi Cairns Ollikkala

IVCF, 1934-94 Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Leslie Russell

Health Services Administration 25th Anniversary,
Classes from '69-'94
Edmonton/Reunion Weekend/Margaret Johnson

Forestry Classes, 1974-94 Edmonton/Reunion-Weekend/Morley Christie

Department of Linguistics, Conference and Reunion
for all Graduates
U of A/October 28-30/Bruce Derwing

Some locations and dates are tentative. Should you require information about the reunions noted, or if you wish to organize a reunion for a class or group not listed, please contact Coleen Graham in the Office of Alumni Affairs. Phone toll-free in Canada, 1-800-661-2593; in Edmonton phone 492-3224.



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Friday, September 30

- Student For A Day
- The Nylons in Concert and Welcome Reception

Saturday, October 1

- Campus Tours
- Super Saturday Lectures
- Faculty, School, Fraternity Open Houses and Special Events
- Gala Dinner and Dance at the Westin Hotel

Sunday, October 2

- President's Brunch at the Faculty Club for 1924, 1934, and 1944 graduates
- Intersarsity Christian Fellowship Tea

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'32

Gordon Tollington, BSc(Eng), writes that he retired in 1971 after holding engineering and executive positions — which included manager of the small motor division — for General Electric Canada. He lives by himself in Peterborough, Ontario, his wife having died in 1990.

'34

Alice Howson, BA, has been keeping busy since her retirement in 1974. She is active in the Women's Canadian Club and Calgary's Anglican Cathedral, and goes every summer to the Conference Centre in Sorrento, B.C., on Shushwap Lake.

'41

Samuel Moscovich, BA, who studied dentistry at the U of Toronto, is now retired in Richmond, B.C. He enjoys golfing, visiting his grandchildren in Toronto, and holidays in Palm Springs.

'44

Jean Robertson (Asselstine), BSc(Nu), '43 Dip(Nu), writes that "photography more than fills my time" now that she has retired in St. Catharines, Ontario. She is looking forward to Reunion Weekend '94 and notes that she will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of her graduation.

'46

Leon de Launay, BSc(Eng), reports from Portland, Ontario that he is enjoying retirement and his 11 grandchildren.

'48

Catherine Haney, MD, '44 BA, will soon be doing "a lot more birding," she writes, as she gets ready to retire in San Francisco.

'50

Stephen Kraychy, BSc, has moved to Northbrook, Illinois, where he is helping set up a biotech company. **Yvonne Munn (Mogen)**, Dip(Nu), '51 BSc(Nu), of Fort Worth, Texas, reports that she retired in June 1993, "after 42 rewarding years in the profession of nursing."

'53

Rita Calhoun (Dickson), Dip(Nu), '54 BSc(Nu), has been elected treasurer on the 1994-95 board of the United Way of the Alberta Capital Region. Rita is a public health nurse for the Edmonton Board of Health. **Eugene Lipinski**, BSc, '55 Dip(Ed), '59 BEd, retired in June after a teaching career that began with Edmonton Public Schools in 1958. For the last 19 years he has taught at McNally Composite High School, Edmonton.

'55

Arthur Jorgensen, BEd, '61 BA, recently returned to Edson, Alberta from Swaziland, where he served on a Project Overseas team. It was his fifth trip to Africa in the past six years.

'62

Chester Houg, BSc(Eng), has been elected chairman of the board of directors of PRECARN Associates Inc.,

an Ottawa consortium of Canadian corporations which pursues joint research on robotics and intelligent systems. Chester is manager of research operations at Syncrude Canada in Edmonton.

Mervyn Pedde, BEd, '66 MEd, of Edmonton retired in 1989. He now owns and operates a small business manufacturing an aluminum paper and poster holder and marketing quick change aluminum picture frames.

'63

Daniel Cornish, BA, '66 BEd, '71 MEd, '77 PhD, former president of Camosun College in Victoria, B.C., is returning to Alberta as president of Red Deer College. He is a former president of Olds College in Olds, Alberta and a former vice-president at Mount Royal College in Calgary.

'65

Richard Frieson, BSc(Eng), has been appointed president of Calgary-based Ince Holdings Ltd., a subsidiary of Duke Seabridge Ltd., a wholesale distributor of building materials.

'66

Wallace Scott, BSc(Eng), is president of Pacific Coast Energy Corp. which owns and operates the Vancouver Gas Pipe Line. He lives in Nanaimo, B.C. **Stephen Holinski**, BSc, of Mississauga, Ontario, has been appointed senior vice-president and chief financial officer of Moore Corporation Ltd., the world's leading provider of business forms and related products, systems

and services. He had been a Northern Telecom Ltd. vice-president.

Bruce Mahon, BEd, recently received a Distinguished Administrator/Manager Award from the board of governors at Mount Royal College in Calgary. The director of human resources, Bruce received his MA from the U of Oregon and a PhD from the U of Calgary before joining Mount Royal in 1968.

'67

Linda Van Gastel (Price), BSc(Eng), '72 MSc, was named vice-president, marketing by Pan Canadian Petroleum Ltd. in Calgary this May. Linda has held various positions in automation systems, production, operations engineering since joining Pan Canadian in 1976.

'68

Terry Macyk, BSc(Ag), '72 MSc, an Alberta Research Council scientist, is the first Canadian to be named Reclamation Researcher of the Year by the American Society for Surface Mining and Reclamation. He received the award at the Society's annual conference in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. **Philip Winkelaar**, MD, '63 BSc, chief of geriatrics at Medicine Hat Regional Hospital was named 1994 Family Physician of the Year by the 12,000-member College of Family Physicians of Canada. **Patrick Daniel**, BSc(Eng), has been appointed president and chief operating officer of Interprovincial Pipe Line Inc. and senior vice-president of

In Memoriam

The Alumni Association has noted with sorrow the passing of the following graduates:

Jessie Irene Stewart (Castor) '25 BA, of St. Albert, Alberta in May 1994

Daisy Rosamond Borrowman '27 BCom, '28 MA, of Calgary in August 1993

John Henry Herreillers '29 BA, '57 BEd, of Calgary in June 1994

Ambrose Joseph O'Neill '30 BA, '34 DDS, of Edmonton in July 1994

Harriet Maude Sproule (Riley) '30 BA, of Calgary in July 1994

Kenneth Farnam Argue '31 BA, of Vancouver in June 1994

William E. Kostash '31 BCom, '41 BEd, '49 MEd, of Edmonton in August 1994

Ethel May Butterfield (Akhurst) '34 BSc(HEC), of White Rock, B.C. in April 1994

Morgan Coleman French '34 BCom, of Kamloops, B.C. in May 1994

George Davis Campbell '35 BA, '39 DDS, of White Rock, B.C. in May 1994

Sheila Ewing Beauchamp (Cameron) '36 BSc, of Nelson, B.C. in May 1994

George Everett McFadzean '36 Dip(Pharm), of Victoria in June 1994

Euclid Joseph Hebert '37 BSc(Ag), of Edmonton in June 1994

Morse Albert Johnson '37 BA, of Victoria in May 1994

Catherine Elizabeth Folinsbee '38 BA, of Edmonton in July 1994

Jack Gilbert Grimble '39 BSc, '41 MSc, of Edmonton in July 1994

Margaret Campbell Murray '40 BA, of Ottawa in May 1994

Norman Reginald Lundy '41 BSc, of Kelowna, B.C. in June 1994

Colin Matheson Mitchell '41 BSc(Eng), of Calgary in January 1994

Thomas McCullough Dick '42 BA, '49 Dip(Ed), '50 BEd, of Ponoka, Alberta in July 1994

Harold Hemphill Smythe '42 MD, of Nelson, B.C. in April 1994

Kenneth Mayson Stone '42 BSc(Ag), of Isley, Alberta in June 1994

Theodore Leslie Reid '46 BSc, of Annandale, Virginia in September 1993

Frances Jean Geddes (Stanley) '47 BA, of Edmonton in August 1994

Merose Marshall Woronuk '47 DDS, of Edmonton in July 1994

Andre Albert Dame '49 BSc(Eng), of Ed-

monton in June 1994

William Lindsay James '49 LLB, of Calgary in July 1994

Myrtle Viola MacDonald '50 BEd, of Calgary in December 1993

Willis Henry Parsons '51 BSc, of Ottawa in May 1994

Peter Russell Galan '53 DDS, of Edmonton in July 1994

William Footz '54 Dip(Ed), '58 Dip(Ed), '60 BEd, of Edmonton in February 1993

Donald Defrayne Macintosh '54 BPE, of Kingston, Ontario in June 1994

Marjorie Stringam '54 Dip(Ed), of Raymond, Alberta in June 1994

Hymie Ben Rodnunsky '56 Dip(Ed), '66 BEd, of Edmonton in August 1994

Lorena Mary Blackwood (Hodgson) '57 BA, of Edmonton in June 1994

Edward William Plum '58 BSc(Eng), of Calgary in January 1994

John Victor Decore '59 BA, '60 LLB, of Edmonton in June 1994

John Keith Wakefield '61 MD, of Red Deer, Alberta in December 1993

Marvelene Rose Hryczay (Martenuk) '67 BEd, of Regina in January 1994

Jean Bernice Shysh (Symyrozum) '67

BSc(Pharm), of Edmonton in July 1994

David Erik Gunderson '68 BSc(Eng), of Calgary in July 1994

Matthew Edward Mazurek '68 BEd, of High Level, Alberta in November 1993

Frederick James Watt '69 BEd, of Edmonton in July 1994

Lois Irene Olson-Tolley '71 BEd, of Wainwright, Alberta in April 1994

Eva Rosemary Learmonth '72 BEd, '75 MEd, of Victoria in May 1994

Robert Gordon Hurlburt '73 BSc, of Victoria in June 1994

Felix George Barake '74 BSc(Eng), of Thornhill, Ontario in May 1994

Christopher Wayne Van Dyke '75 BSc, '81 MSc, of Vernon, B.C. in June 1994

Patricia Marguerite Bedard-Kijek '77 BEd of Edmonton in July 1994

Mary Grace Lirondelle '77 BA, of Morinville, Alberta in July 1994

Donna Lynn Stamp (Yanish) '84 BA, '89 MEd, of Edmonton in July 1994

James Douglas Hunt '92 BSc, of Edmonton in June 1994

Russ John Richards '92 BSc, of Red Deer in June 1994

IPL Energy in Edmonton. Patrick was formerly vice-president, planning. **Susan Schultz (Phillips)**, BSc(HEC), is operating an image consulting business, which is licensed in computerized figure analysis, in Prince George, B.C. Susan is active on the board of the Prince George Art Gallery.

'69

Paul Tremlett, BCom, of Toronto is president of the CORHE Group Inc., "advisors to management and strategic direction and organization (re)design." Paul has been president of the Group since 1987.

Kenneth Lederer, BA, now residing in Penhold, Alberta, is a principal at R & L Associates, a group of research, training, and management consultants. **Kenneth Gutierrez**, BCom, formerly an officer of Novacor Chemicals Ltd. in Calgary, has been appointed vice-president and controller of Novacorp International Inc.

'70

Ernest Jacobson, BA, '71 MA, assistant program head of business administration at NAIT, has been elected to a fourth consecutive term as chairman of the Capital City Savings and Credit Union Ltd. executive. Ernie is currently a member of the Canadian Cooperative Association task force on human resource development.

'71

Bohdan Maslanyk, BA, has been appointed a division manager for John Deere Limited's Industrial Equipment Division. He has worked for John Deere for the last 20 years, and previously was the division sales manager for John Deere in Eastern Canada. His new division, based in Calgary, takes in Western Canada, the north-western U.S., Alaska, and Hawaii.

'72

Ronald Keith Phillips, MD, was elected a fellow of the College of Family Physicians of Canada at April ceremonies in Banff. Keith has been practising medicine in Prince George, B.C. since 1978.

Muhammad Haydar, PhD, formerly a member of the Agriculture Faculty of the U of Aleppo in Aleppo, Syria, has joined the U of Tishreen in Latakia, Syria as a professor of food science in the College of Agriculture.

Derrick Curtis, BSc(Ag), of Terrace, B.C. is currently manager, aboriginal affairs for REPAP B.C., an integrated forest products company. Derrick deals with Native people in commercial forest business activities and also protects the companies' interests in Native land claim settlements.

Andrew Bremness, MD, '70 BSc, has been appointed director of the Child and Adolescent Services Asso-

ciation, an Edmonton-based, non-profit organization dedicated to helping children and adolescents with mental disorders. Since leaving the U of A, Andrew has obtained certification both in psychiatry and the sub-specialty of child psychiatry.

'73

Kerry Bjarnason (Patenaude), BSc, is the first vice-chair on the 1994-95 board of directors for the United Way of the Alberta Capital Region. Kerry is a solicitor at Nicholl & Akers.

Dieter Harmetz, PhD, '67 BEd, '69 MA, has relocated to Victoria, B.C. to manage a professional centre close to the U of Victoria. "Escaping cold winters and the mosquitoes of summer,"

Westley Ross Purdy, BSc(Ag), now living in Lacombe, Alberta, is an area manager for the Bank of Montreal.

Bruce Natrass, BSc, is now a management partner in the Edmonton office of Sierra Systems Consultants Inc. Before joining Sierra in 1989, Bruce gained expertise in information systems management through his work in government, retail sectors, and in a systems consulting firm.

'74

Brian Taylor, BCom, was elected president of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan at their annual meeting held in Lloydminster this past May. Brian is a tax partner with Deloitte & Touche in Saskatoon. **Anthony Fields**, MD, director of the Cross Cancer Institute, Edmonton was recently awarded an honorary degree by Alberta's Athabasca U, recognizing his contributions to the field of medicine.

Morley Christie, BSc(Forest), reports that he has been hired to set up the Federal Environmental Assessment Review Office for Alberta. Morley notes that this will be the first such office in Canada under the Federal/Provincial Harmonization agreement. **Arthur Ming-Chee Yuen**, BSc(Eng), works for B.C. Transit as the superintendent responsible for operation and maintenance of trolley bus power supply systems in Vancouver. He lives in Burnaby, B.C.

Peter Tremaine, PhD, has been re-appointed to a second term as head of the Department of Chemistry at Memorial U of Newfoundland. Peter moved to St. John's in 1991 from the Alberta Research Council where he was a senior research officer and manager of the AOSTRA/ARC Industry Program for research on *in situ* recovery technology.

Bettejane Legg-St. Pierre, BA, '75 Dip(Ed), '78 MEd, and **Remi St. Pierre**, LLB, '73 BA, are living in Edmonton with their daughters, ages two and four. A long-standing member of Phi Delta Kappa, Bettejane is

on leave after 15 years as a full-time equivalent educator with Edmonton Public Schools and works as a consultant and author. Remi is a partner at McCuiag-Derochers, Edmonton.

Marilyn Solikoski (Kostersky), BSc, has been appointed a partner at Sierra Systems Consultants Inc., an information technology company based in Edmonton. Marilyn has had experience managing all phases of systems development and has conducted strategic planning assignments for both government and industry.

'75

Denis Ellard, MBA, '68 BSc(Eng), has been appointed the United Way's general campaign chairman in the Alberta Capital Region. Denis is the senior vice-president and general manager at Northwestern Utilities Ltd. **Estelle Hodgetts**, BEd, teaches elementary school with the Edmonton Catholic School Board.

'76

Leslie Ann Dorey (Stephen), BA, has been teaching French as a second language to Canadian Forces personnel and to school teachers in Nova Scotia. In June she reported that she was seeking employment as an elementary school teacher, having recently completed her BEd in French Education at Mount Saint Vincent U in Halifax.

Emilian Groch, BSc, has been appointed executive director of the board of administrators of the Teachers' Retirement Fund of Alberta. He is a former superintendent of pensions with Alberta Labour.

Karl Mueller, BA, '77 BEd, who resides in Kelowna, B.C., became president of Okanagan Bible College on 1 May 1994.

'77

Gordon Richman, BSc(Pharm), of Langley B.C. was appointed in May to the position of national general manager of Pharmasave Drugs (National) Ltd. Gordon has held the position of general manager of Pharmasave for the last seven years, with responsibilities for the operation of the B.C. region and the development and growth of the National organization. **Marilyn Ogrodnick**, BEd, has been teaching English in Shikaoi, Hokkaido, Japan since September '93 as part of a sister town relationship between Stony Plain, Alberta and Shikaoi.

'78

Anita Burrill (Tkachyk), BEd, lives in Delta, B.C. and teaches in Langley School District #35, having completed a post-baccalaureate diploma in curriculum instruction at Simon Fraser U in December 1993.

Donald Odell, BCom, and **Noreen**

Odell (Hildebrand), '79 BSc(Ag), who now have two children, have just moved to Red Deer, Alberta, where Don is the manager of the newest Canadian Western Bank branch.

John Chan, BSc, '86 MSc, a research technologist at the U of A Hospitals, is currently researching the use of human cord blood for treatment of haematopoietic disorders.

Joyce Good (Shandera), BA, of Winnipeg is working as a research nurse with the U of Manitoba's Department of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases. "Still busy with daughter (14) and twin sons (11)," she writes.

Phillippe Lefebvre, LLB, '73 BA, has joined the partnership of Shtabsky & Tussman, Edmonton. Since becoming a member of the Alberta Bar in 1979, Phillippe has carried on a general practice including corporate matters, real estate transactions, and wills and estates.

William Chapman, BSc(Ag), is a soil scientist with the research department of the Ministry of Forests in Williams Lake, B.C. He and his wife have three children.

Kenneth Hughes, BSc(Ag), is the president of Trade Strategies International, Inc. He resides in High River, Alberta.

'79

Susanna Kesmarky, MD, '77 MSc, reports that she has moved her orthopedic and upper extremity surgery practice from North York to Oshawa, Ontario. She now lives in Courtice, Ontario.

John Cox, MSc, has received a Distinguished Teaching Award from Mount Royal College in Calgary. A geology instructor and chair of the Department of Earth Sciences at the College, John worked in industry before joining the College in 1983.

Elizabeth Rogers, BSc, and **Bradley Anholt**, BSc, and their family are "off to Switzerland for a few years" now that Brad has been hired by the U of Zurich. Beth hopes to study German, ski, and travel, as well as helping their girls to keep up their English, during their stay.

'80

Kevin Jenkins, LLB, has been appointed president and CEO of PWA Corporation and Canadian Airlines International Ltd. in Calgary. A former president of Wardair and chairman of the board of the Air Transport Association of Canada, Kevin has been president of Canadian Airlines for the past three years.

Lee Grant Armstrong, MEd, of Thornhill, Ontario, is president and CEO of the Armstrong Corporation, a consortium of companies involved in the wellness industry. The consortium



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'81

Janet Basken (Paton), Dip(Nu), has moved from Edmonton to Yorkton, Saskatchewan, where she plans to work as a registered nurse.

Becky Sjare, BSc, '93 PhD, is with the Newfoundland Department of Fisheries and Oceans in St. John's. A research scientist, she studies the ecology and behavior of marine mammals, particularly harp and hooded seals.

Brian Miller, BSc(FdSci), has been employed by Lucerne Foods Ltd. since graduation. He is currently the plant superintendent at the Lucerne Ice Cream Plant in Edmonton.

Niels Jensen, PhD, is responsible for a staff of 30 and his department's budget as general manager at the Department of Chemical Engineering at the Technical U of Denmark, where he has been since February 1993.

Bonnie Jean Devine, BEd, '83 MEd, is a senior counsellor at a residential treatment centre in Victoria, B.C.

"Enjoying work, two Bichon puppies, new house, my kayak, and, of course, Vancouver Island."

'82

David Constable, BSc(Eng), was recently assigned to Fluor Corporation's South American head office in Santiago, Chile as director of marketing and sales for Latin America.

"Married with two year old daughter, Natalie, who is beginning to speak Spanish better than her father!" he writes.

Jennifer Lambert, BSc, and **Mark Freeman**, '81 BSc, who have lived in New York for over 10 years, are moving back to Edmonton with their three-year-old daughter.

Joanne McNeal Delisi, MEd, has been awarded a \$12,500 (U.S.) fellowship by the Getty Center for Education in the Arts for the continuation of her work at the School of Visual and Performing Arts in Education at UBC. The fellowship will help finance Joanne's doctoral dissertation, an ethnographic study of the factors influencing three Western Arctic women artists.

Genevieve Sveinson, BA, '87 Cert(Arts), and **William Sveinson**, '87 BA, '90 MA, now reside in Nanaimo, B.C. They report that they are enjoying a great climate — weather and economic.

'83

Alan Mah, BSc(Eng), has been re-elected to the executive committee of Capital City Savings and Credit Union Ltd. A division manager with the Department of Physical Plant at the U of A, he is also an instructor with the

Alberta Real Estate Association.

Cheryl Wilton (Hitchcock), MEd, and **Richard Wilton**, '75 MSc, live in Waterloo, Ontario. Cheryl is a home-maker with four children and cares for both of her elderly parents.

Grant Beattie, BSc(Eng), is a computer engineering technology instructor at NAIT. He has been married for two years and encourages his former schoolmates to "get on the Internet and send me email so we can catch up (to grantb@nait.ab.ca)."

Candace Degenstein, BSc(Nu), writes from New Orleans, Louisiana that she is an advanced practice nurse and primary nurse associate, working primarily with homeless and runaway adolescents and "at-risk" youth.

Monica Semeniuk, BEd, currently resides in Toronto, having recently moved into project management within ComputerLand, "which I see as the business equivalent of my previous career in stage management," she writes.

Albert Frank, LLB, '80 BA, writes from Toronto that he is now working with the Bay Street law firm of Gardiner, Blumberg and is a member of the litigation committee of the County of York Law Association. "Any tips on how the Ontario court system could be improved would be appreciated."

'84

Gail Harding, LLB, '80 BEd, has become a partner in the Calgary office of the firm Milner Fenerty, Barristers & Solicitors.

Carolyn Visscher (Leffers), BEd, is enjoying the rural life in Morinville, Alberta. After an eight-year career as teacher and music specialist at North Edmonton Christian School, she's now a mom and runs a construction company and an elk ranch with her husband.

Roger Epp, BA, has received a Top Service Award from Augusta U College in Camrose, Alberta. He is an assistant professor of political studies and a former president of the faculty association at the college.

Heather Schneider (Laurie), MLS, lives in Cranbrook, B.C. and is the director of the Learning Resource Centre at East Kootenay Community College.

Marty Proctor, BSc(Eng), '85 MSc, and his family "left the Golden State early this year and moved 1100 miles east and one mile high to Denver." He works as a superintendent/engineer for Central Resources.

Stewart McAndrews, BEd, of Wooldridge & Company Chartered Accountants in Edmonton has been awarded the 1994 Norman Wildgoose Memorial Award by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Alberta. The award recognizes commitment and excellence in professional, com-

munity, and volunteer involvement.

'85

Robert Telford, BSc, has moved from Edmonton to Calgary, where he is managing a land consulting and appraising company.

Shirley Kachur (Gadzella), BA, reports that after a few years living in B.C. she's back in Alberta, "this time with a husband and dog." Shirley, who lives near Ardrossan, is looking forward to promoting her husband's new book, a historical fiction set during the reign of King Louis XIV.

Alan Barclay, BA, of Vancouver, B.C. has won the annual grand prize of \$4,000 for his short story, "Schrodinger's Mousetrap" in the L. Ron Hubbard Writers of the Future Contest. The story, which was published in a science fiction collection this summer, had earlier earned him a \$1,000 prize and a trip to Los Angeles for the Hubbard Awards event.

Lawrence Farries, MD, '83 BMS, and **Alayne Farries (Tyler)**, MD, '83 BMS, have relocated to Red Deer after having practised for two and a half years in Williams Lake, B.C.

Alayne trained in anaesthesiology and Lawrence in surgery.

Dian Seguin-McIntyre, BCom, has been appointed corporate assistant vice-president, administration for Capital City Savings and Credit Union Ltd., Edmonton.

Michael Ford, LLB, '81 BCom, and **Catherine Zip**, BMS, '87 MD, of Calgary are planning to be married, reports Michael, who was recently made a partner in the firm Milner Fenerty, Barristers & Solicitors. The couple met when Cathy returned to Calgary after finishing specialty training in dermatology at Dalhousie U, Halifax.

Richard Vogel, BSc, of Edmonton, is an investment advisor for Nesbitt Thomson Inc., an affiliate of the Bank of Montreal. Richard is also active in the University Hospitals Foundation, Minerva Foundation, and Envision Edmonton Group.

Rhonda Jansen, BA, is an environmental lawyer with the firm Gowling, Strathy & Henderson in Toronto.

James Rogers, BSc, has been appointed vice-president of corporate finance with the Wall Street investment firm Salomon Brothers Inc., New York. He joined Salomon full-time after completing his MBA at the U of Western Ontario in 1990.

Carole Hoel, LLB, recently became a partner in the Edmonton office of the law firm Snyder & Company. Carole works primarily in the areas of matrimonial and adoption law.

'86

Randall Dux, BCom, lives in Toronto, where he works as a stock analyst

for a pension fund. He reported that he would be married this summer. **Agnes MacNeil**, LLB, '85 MBA, practises law in Toronto with Ellyn Barristers, a firm specializing in business litigation.

Robert Walger, BCom, recently joined Thomson Newspapers in Winnipeg as city circulation sales manager for *The Winnipeg Free Press*.

Karin Fuog, BA, '88 MA, and **Eric Fuog**, '87 BSc, are now situated in Gales Ferry, Connecticut. Karin has finished her PhD in English and is busy raising their son, while Eric is working in research for the pharmaceutical company Pfizer.

Ivo Hula, LLB, completed his MBA at UBC in 1992 and now practises in Calgary, concentrating on natural resource and securities law.

Gordon Fong, BSc, '89 MSc, has returned to Hong Kong, having graduated in May from a Master of Divinity program at Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

Dennis Picco, LLB, BCom, of Edmonton, has been made partner in the firm Milner Fenerty, Barristers & Solicitors.

'87

Murray Tait, LLB, '84 BCom, is now a partner at Emery Jamieson, Barristers & Solicitors and Patent and Trade-Mark Agents, Edmonton. His practice areas include corporate and commercial transactions, real estate, and commercial leasing.

Helen Garwasiuk, LLB, '84 BSc(PT), has become a partner at Emery Jamieson in Edmonton. Helen is a registered trade-mark agent, and her law practice includes patents, trade-marks, and copyright, as well as civil litigation in the areas of intellectual property, professional liability, and commercial law.

Gilles Alaredes, MSc, is now living and working in Amsterdam where he is the European marketing manager for a U.S. company called Intergraph, specializing in geographical information systems.

Carole Dancause, BEd, and **David Woodland**, '86 BEd, are living in Stony Plain, Alberta with their baby, who was born in November 1993. Carole is a French teacher in Stony Plain, and David teaches grade-five students in Devon, Alberta.

Virginia Day (Linka), BA, works as a registered nurse at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Edmonton.

Julie Froese (Susinski), BCom, completed her MBA at the U of Manitoba in 1992 and is now a human resources representative for Pepsi Cola Canada in Winnipeg.

Esther Zdrill (Benjamin), BEd, is back at the U of A working on a music education diploma.

Heike Tersakian (Rihana), BA, '92

MA, lives in Tujunga, California and is a part-time instructor of German at Glendale College, a local community college.

Fan Zhang, MSc, completed an MBA at the U of Michigan. He now lives in Singapore and works for Southwall Technologies, a U.S. firm based in Palo Alto, California.

Edson Ng, BSc(Eng), of Edmonton was recently married. Edson has established Advanced Mobility, a consulting and systems integration firm specializing in mobile workforce solutions. "I'd like to hear from the old gang and do 'wings'."

Elaine Ziomek, BA, is the family school consultant for the County of St. Paul, Alberta. She works as a counselor at both the Elk Point and Heinsburg Schools.

Donald Wilson, LLB, '81 BA, '84 BA(CdnSt), has been made a partner of Lucas Bowker & White, Barristers and solicitors in Edmonton. Don practises civil law with particular interest in construction, employment, and intellectual property litigation.

'88

Andrew Jevne, BEd, teaches math and physics at Alberta Vocational College, Edmonton. An avid tennis player, Andrew keeps busy with his sports and playing in his band.

Glenn Godfrey, LLB, Cert(Sci), '84 BSc, has become a partner in the Edmonton office of the firm Snyder & Company, Barristers & Solicitors. Glenn's practice is primarily in civil litigation, insurance, and personal injury law.

Sylvia Axley (Raasok), BEd, who taught for six years at a Hutterite colony north of Irma, Alberta, is now teaching grade one at Wainwright Elementary School. She and her husband live on a cattle ranch south of Czar, Alberta.

Ash Mustapha, BSc, lives in Kelowna, B.C. and is a pharmaceutical representative for Merck, Sharp & Dome.

Sharon Treptau (Checkley), BA, '91 BEd, and **Roy Treptau**, '87 BA, were married in May. Roy is a claims adjuster with an insurance company in Edmonton, while Sharon teaches French immersion kindergarten in Leduc, Alberta.

Brian Alexander, BSc, '92 BEd, teaches physics, math, science, and computers at Highroad Academy in Chilliwack, B.C.

Evelyn Cormack, BSc(HEC), is a clinical dietitian for the Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary.

'89

Cynthia Jorgenson, BA, '91 BEd, has spent the past two years teaching grade nine at John D. Bracco School in Edmonton. She previously taught in Lamont, Alberta and was a provincial

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James Guest, MD, '83 BA, '85 BSc, and **Rosalind Guest (Fewell), '85 BSc,** now make their home in Miami. Jim, an American Association of Neurological Surgeons fellow at the Miami Project to Cure Paralysis, is studying spinal cord repair. Rosalind is a research associate and staff physical therapist for the Miami Project and is working towards an MA in counselling psychology.

Gerry Kasten, BSc(HEc), has moved to B.C.'s Lower Mainland to work for the B.C. ministry of health as the community nutritionist at the Simon Fraser Health Unit.

Bruce MacWhirter, MSc, earned his PhD from Ohio State U and is now a post-doctoral fellow at the Department of Resource Sciences at the Macdonald campus of McGill U.

Harold Gartner, BSc(Eng), and **Elizabeth Gartner (Powell), '88 BSc(OT),** reside in Thornhill, Ontario. Harold is a senior associate development engineer at the IBM Canada laboratory, while Elizabeth is a senior occupational therapist, geriatrics at West Park Hospital, Toronto.

David Russell Clark, BSc(Eng), has been appointed engineering manager in the Edmonton office of Keen Engineering Co. Ltd.

Dan Veldhuis, BSc(Eng), reports

that after five years in B.C. coal mines, he is back in Edmonton. "I am working a two week in - two week out rotation in the Colomac gold mine about 140 miles north of Yellowknife, N.W.T. Still single and looking for exciting people and new things to do," writes Dan.

'90

Eric Taylor, MBA, has been appointed vice-president of operations at Grant MacEwan Community College, Edmonton.

Wendy Chaboyer, BSc(Nu), '92 MNu, is a lecturer and course coordinator for critical care at Griffith U's Gold Coast campus in Australia.

Richard Solowan, LLB, reports from Syosset, New York that he married in 1992, and he and his wife now have a baby girl. "Spuds" is currently employed as corporate counsel to an insurance carrier.

Jamie Dehid, BCom, graduated from the U of Calgary this April with a Master of Communication Studies degree in telecommunications. She now has returned to IBM World Trade Asia Corporation as market development specialist in the global networks business unit.

Ashraf Mozayni, PhD, is working as a forensic toxicologist with Virginia State's Division of Forensic Science and makes his home in Richmond,

Virginia.

Renée Dancause, BSc(HEc), is the fellow in textile conservation at the Canadian Conservation Institute, located in Ottawa.

Karen Foster (Sunderland), BA, reports from Edinburgh that for the past two years she has been living and working in Scotland and travelling as much as possible.

Elaine Fitzpatrick, BEd, teaches in Dawson Creek, B.C., where she lives with her husband and their first child, who was born in April.

'91

Jon Swenson, PhD, is leading the Scandinavian brown bear research project with the Norwegian Institute for Nature Research.

Robert Roth, LLB, '87 BCom, and **Elizabeth Roth (Kennedy), LLB, '87 BCom,** were married in 1991 and now have a baby boy. Robert continues to practice at Milner Fenerty, and Beth reports she has taken on a full-time job at home in St. Albert.

Shirish Pundit Chotalia, LLM, '83 BA, '86 LLB, of Pundit & Chotalia Barristers & Solicitors recently published her book *The Annotated Canadian Human Rights Act 1994*. Shirish practises law in Edmonton.

Hong Zhu, PhD, completed post-doctoral training at the U of Guelph and has relocated to Saskatoon, where he works as a microbial physiologist for a biotech company.

Sherri Humphrys (Sparrow), BEd, and **Christopher Humphrys, BEd,** were married this past March. Sherri is teaching a learning disabilities class in Edmonton, and Chris plans to go back to school in September.

Cindy Escott (Bouten), BEd, got married in July 1993 and is teaching, for her third year, in the County of Stettler, Alberta. She currently teaches grades one and two at Donalda School.

'92

Brian Callaghan, MEd, is the superintendent of schools for the

Mount Rundle School Division and the Banff School District. He is also chairman of the Council on Alberta Teaching Standards and is first vice-president of the College of Alberta School Superintendents.

Suresh Mustapha, BSc, is working as a business analyst with McKinsey & Co. in Toronto.

David Ball, MBA, has been appointed corporate assistant vice-president, human resources at Capital City Savings and Credit Union Ltd..

Annik Charbonneau, BA, works for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's French television newsroom in Edmonton as a production assistant.

Nat Hardy, BA, completed an MA from McMaster U in Hamilton and has returned to the U of A to pursue his PhD in English with the help of a U of Alberta PhD scholarship.

Karyn Ishister, DDS, '90 BSc(Dent), has joined the Academy Dental Group in Edmonton.

'93

Debra Wapple, BEd, is living in Mission, B.C. and teaching an intermediate behavior transitional program for grades four to seven in the Abbotsford School District. She also leads a drama club and finds time to judge horse shows on weekends.

Baiqiang Tian, PhD, now lives in Sydney, Australia, where he is a post-doctoral fellow in the National Measurement Lab situated in the Division of Applied Physics at CSIRO.

Doris Leung, BSc(Eng), is pursuing graduate studies in chemical engineering at the U of A.

Melanie Robertson, BSc(Nu), lives in Kelowna and works as a nurse in nearby Merritt, B.C.

Yongliang Xiong, MSc, is now a

PhD student in the Department of Geology, in the U of Idaho's College of Mines and Earth Resources.

Angela Fracchiolla, BSc, is involved in bioanalytical projects with Phoenix International Life Sciences in Montreal. A gas chromatography analyst, she performs drug analysis of biological matrices.

Robert Pitter, PhD, '87 MA, and his wife have moved to Memphis, Tennessee, where he is teaching and doing research in sport management at the U of Memphis.

Geoffrey Hutchinson, BSc, was recently awarded a Hill's Student Scholarship. A native of Skiff, Alberta, Geoffrey has just completed his first year of veterinary studies at the U of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine at Urbana.

Robert Grey, BEd, has just completed a year of teaching for the Delta district in B.C. He writes that, having accepted a teaching position in Drayton Valley, Alberta, he will soon be reunited with his wife and three sons.

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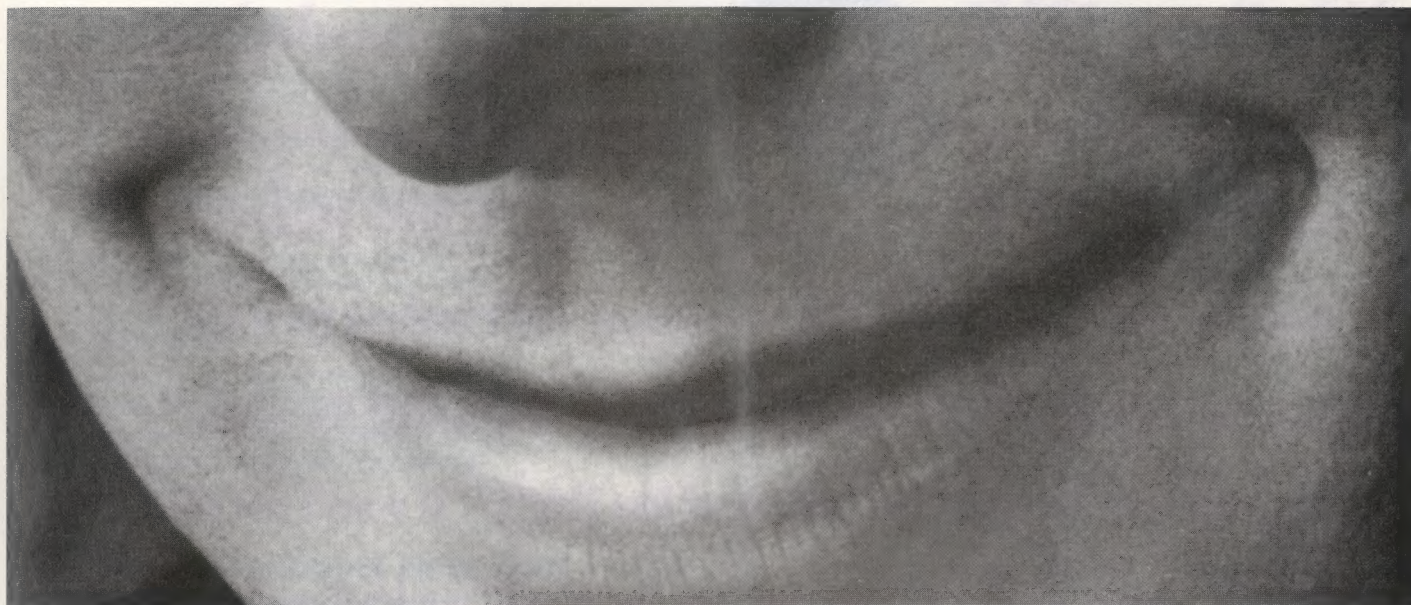
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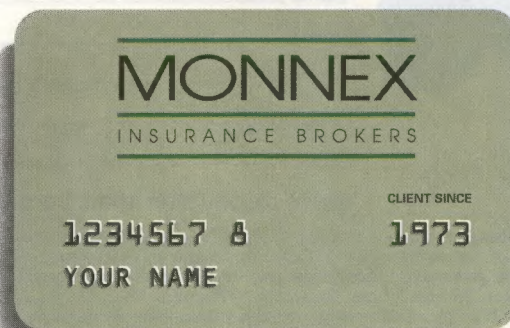


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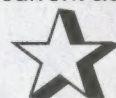
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